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Judge cautious as Marsack trial starts

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City Record-Eagle,
By Will Scott

KALKASKA—The caution that has marked the murder case against Richard Peter Marsack continued Tuesday (Jan. 10), as the Otsego County man's trial got underway here.

Everyone going into the 46th Circuit Court room first had to be checked by a deputy with a hand-held metal detector.

Once proceedings began, the doors were locked and no one was allowed in until the next break.

Just before Prosecutor John Huss' opening statement to the jury, Porter called news reporters and photographers into his chambers. He said the clicking of a camera was distracting and ordered the photographer to shoot pictures only during lulls when no one was speaking.

He also reminded photographers that no pictures can be taken of the jurors.

In the 18 months since Marsack, a former Department of Natural Resources employee, was arrested for killing his supervisor, Terrence Barr, on a dirt road near Grayling, Porter has taken unusual steps to avoid tainting the jury in what could be a months-long trial.

Porter moved the trial from Crawford County to Kalkaska County because of pretrial publicity, then summoned hundreds of potential jurors to seat a panel of 17, which includes five alternates.

Jury selection began with a 22-page questionnaire.

The judge and attorneys have all been tight-lipped about the case. Porter has said they all agreed not to talk about the case until a jury was seated, but Crawford County Prosecutor John Huss and defense attorney Richard Zipser declined to talk to reporters even after the jury was seated last week.

Barr, 53, a 20-year DNR employee, supervised work crews that built and maintained boat access sites on lakes and rivers.

He was gunned down less than a mile from his home on Wilcox Bridge Road outside Grayling on July 13, 1993. He had just left for work and had stopped near a poplar tree that was down across the road.

Two days later, Marsack, who worked on one of the crews, was arrested in Detroit's Metro Airport after he stepped off a plane from Traverse City.

In his opening statement to the jury, Huss said he would show first where and how Barr was killed.

Next, Huss said, witnesses will testify about Marsack's actions in the months leading up to the murder and for several days after.

He said Marsack's son, Ted, will identify a small camp ax found near the murder scene as his father's.

Ray Drake, a neighbor of Marsack, will testify that on July 15, Marsack asked Drake to take him to Cherry Capital Airport in Traverse City. He also will testify that Marsack talked about expecting to be arrested, and that Marsack instructed him to take guns from a deer blind on Marsack's property, sell them and give the money to Marsack's wife, Huss said.

Finally, Huss said, experts will link evidence at the scene to Marsack.

Clothe fibers at the murder scene will be matched with clothing taken from Marsack's house.

The camp ax will be matched with chop marks on the poplar stump.

A spent shotgun shell at the scene will be shown to have been fired from a shotgun Marsack bought in 1989. A neighbor of Marsack found the weapon on her property about two months after the shooting.

Used toilet paper found at a fresh bowel movement near the murder

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Jaymie Corlew
named

1995 Grayling Junior Miss



1995 GRAYLING JUNIOR MISS—Grayling High School junior, Jaymie Corlew, earned the honor of representing her community as the 1995 Grayling Junior Miss for the next year. Jaymie is pictured above with the 1st runner up, Brooke Blaauw (L), and 2nd runner up, Sarah Amman (R). The young ladies won their honors in competition with 15 other contestants at the Junior Miss program on Saturday, Jan. 21.

Frederic fire department/EMS looking for 10 to 12 volunteers

By Terry Wright
News Editor

The Frederic Township Volunteer Fire Department and Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) team is looking for a few good men — and women.

Fireman Dennis Wallace said both volunteer teams are currently understaffed, and suspects that the same may be true in other volunteer departments within the county.

"We currently have 22 fire and ambulance people," Wallace said. "It's enough to cover the calls, but we could use another 10 or 12 people."

Wallace explained that some of the Frederic volunteers are cross-trained in both fire and ambulance, which is ideal for a small volunteer department.

"In 1994," Wallace said, "we answered about 30 fire calls and went on 185 ambulance runs. With growth and increased traffic, that number will continue to rise. We need to be ready."

The Frederic volunteer services cover both Frederic and Maple Forest Townships.

"State regulations have made becoming an emergency volunteer more difficult," Wallace said. "To become a state registered Firefighter 1, you have to complete 160 hours of training within a two-year period. The training is available right here in Crawford County and Frederic Township pays all the costs."

"We need both men and women for fire or ambulance or both — we encourage women"

Wallace said an EMT class will be starting in March through North Flight EMS in Grayling. Fire department volunteers would begin their training at weekly in-house training sessions prior to beginning a Firefighter 1 class.

"We could have someone up to speed to assist at fires in about two months. They could help with equipment at a fire scene but could not actually fight a fire," Wallace said. "With only 80 hours of training, a volunteer can become a medical first-responder. They can ride the ambulance and give basic first-aid at emergency scenes."

"Both fire-fighters and emergency medical teams train with the jaws of life," Wallace said.

"It makes you feel good to help someone in a life-threatening situation and the training people have gotten here has helped in other areas too. Five Frederic volunteers have moved into full-time positions in related jobs," said Wallace.

Wallace said the only requirements to become a volunteer are: a resident of Frederic or Maple Forest Township; 18-years old; and in good physical condition.

The Frederic Volunteer Fire Department holds weekly meeting/training sessions in the firehouse every Thursday, at 7 p.m.

The Frederic Volunteer Emergency Medical Technicians hold meeting/training sessions in the fire hall, every second and fourth Sunday, at 7 p.m.

Persons interested in becoming a

volunteer should contact the Frederic Volunteer Fire Department at (517) 348-8190, or come to one of the meetings.

RSVP director receives DSS achiever award

Gloria Mologianes of Grayling, has been awarded the state's "Achiever of the Month Award," from the Michigan Department of Social Services (DSS). The presentation was made to Mologianes by DSS Director, Gerald Miller, on Friday, Jan. 20 at the Michelson Memorial Methodist Church in Grayling.

Miller established the award last year to recognize the contributions and achievements of public assistance recipients and former recipients who participate in the state's welfare reform program, "To Strengthen Michigan Families."

Miller said Mologianes is a former public assistance recipient who has demonstrated remarkable progress toward self-sufficiency and self-improvement for herself and her family.

"Gloria's positive attitude allowed her to escape the welfare system," Miller said. "Her life has been changed for the better. She is an example for others to follow."

Mologianes, the mother of three, applied for public assistance due to a problem pregnancy that necessitated her leaving her position as a nursing assistant. Then, due to a back problem she found herself sitting at home depressed. Her DSS Michigan Opportunity and Skills Training (MOST) worker urged her to take steps toward self-sufficiency, so she took a job training seminar through the MOST program which led to her volunteering as a tutor for an adult education/GED class. She later volunteered to help create a housing code for rental units and became president of a tenants council for a public housing development.

With the advent of the Social Contract program at DSS, Mologianes attended one of the first sessions to

Voters say NO!

In what was called an exceptionally light voter turnout on Tuesday, Jan. 24, Crawford County voters rejected two Crawford County Transportation Authority millage proposals.

The first proposal would have collected one-half mill from county taxpayers to operate and maintain the airport and to construct an air industrial park.

This proposal was defeated by a 491-961 vote.

The second proposal was a request for an increase of one-half mill for the operation of the county-wide Dial-A-Ride system.

This proposal was defeated by a 666-786 vote.

City of Grayling voters were the only ones in the county's nine voting

precincts to pass both issues. They voted 113-96 in favor of the airport proposal and 143-67 in favor of the Dial-A-Ride proposal.

Grayling Township's precinct 303 passed the Dial-A-Ride proposal by a 154-130 vote. All other county precincts defeated both proposals.

Crawford County Transportation Authority (CCTA) Director, David Frederick said, "I'm truly disappointed, but we now know what the consensus is and we'll have to do things accordingly."

Frederick said the CCTA board would discuss the election results and possibly reducing the number of weekly hours of on-demand Dial-A-Ride service at its Wednesday, Feb. 15 meeting.

Commissioners vow to settle disputes

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners upheld its commitment to cooperation at its meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 24, by trying amicably to settle the alleged conflicts of interest of four commissioners.

Prosecutor John Huss revealed that the request, from the meeting on Oct. 19 asking him to send to the Attorney General's office all of the information concerning the possibility of conflict's of interest by commissioners Dennis Long, Robert McLachlan, Robert Smock and former commissioner Loren Goodale, hasn't been completed yet.

Huss said he has sent the information to the Michigan State Police post in Traverse City for further investigation. Commissioner Long asked if there was anything that would warrant the immediate, temporary resignation of any of the three commissioners currently on the board, until the decision is final. Huss said no, based on the information he currently has.

In an effort to resolve this issue so the commissioners could function properly as a board, they approved a motion to have the prosecutor's office look into the possibility of binding arbitration. Retired judge George Alexander was named as a possible candidate for arbitrator.

Commissioner Robert McLachlan said, "I'm willing to meet and set up the ground rules for arbitration."

"If he finds I'm guilty of a conflict of interest, or have violated that code as far as sitting on this chair, I'd be willing to step down (as commissioner)," said McLachlan.

He stated that all of the commissioners accused of conflicts of interest should be willing to step down if they are found to be in violation.

Smock said would be willing to agree to that also.

Long agreed with McLachlan saying, "I'll follow Mr. Coy's lead."



ACHIEVER OF THE MONTH—Gerald Miller, director of the Michigan Department of Social Services presents his DSS, "Achiever of the Month," award to Gloria Mologianes.

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State Board of Education adopts vision, philosophy and mission statement

At their first meeting on Thursday, Jan. 19, the new State Board of Education took a bold step in education reform in a 7-1 vote by adopting a vision, philosophy, and mission statement intended to spark a statewide dialogue with the people of Michigan on the future and nature of public education. This statement is the first of its kind in the 32-year history of the State Board of Education in its role under the 1963 State Constitution.

Just two days prior, Governor John Engler in his State of the State Address called for the elimination of "barriers that keep our families from taking charge of their children's education,"

and even called for repealing the State School Code in an effort to challenge all of us to rethink how education is delivered to all of our children. In his 1995 Taxpayer's Agenda, the governor emphasized liberty — educational choice and freedom — as another pillar of Michigan's Renaissance and essential to every child reaching their greatest potential.

The State Board of Education believes its adoption of this vision, philosophy, and mission statement is the way to begin a broad dialogue with and amongst the citizens of Michigan regarding how education should be delivered and what our children should learn.

During discussion, the board unanimously moved that the news media be requested to reprint the vision, philosophy, and mission statement in its entirety in order to ensure that all of the citizens of Michigan can more easily participate in the education discussions that will follow.

Vision

We, the Michigan State Board of Education, grateful to Almighty God for the blessings of freedom, do earnestly desire to secure these blessings undiminished for our children. A blessing of freedom is to reaffirm an important truth. Religion, morality, and knowledge are necessary to good government and the happiness of mankind, so therefore schools and the means of education shall forever be encouraged. Good government entrusts citizens to conduct a great experiment in freedom to seek excellence in providing a quality education for their own families and other children in their communities.

Philosophy

We, the Michigan State Board of Education, believes that to teach a child created by God is a noble calling; that throughout life, parents are a child's first teachers with the primary right and responsibility for their child's education. A quality education is

rooted in character and academic excellence. It seeks to help a child develop to his or her fullest potential in heart, mind and body. It encourages a child always and everywhere to seek truth, to know what is good, to develop a disciplined mind and a wise, kind and discerning heart and to be a self responsible citizen who leads a full and good life as a productive and contributing member of a free society.

Mission

We, the Michigan State of Education, united in vision and philosophy, empowered by our Constitution to respond with leadership, humbly serve to enable, promote, and inspire a new spirit and birth of freedom, self government, excellence and accountability in our local communities for all who are there

involved in the lifelong education of students. In working to achieve this mission we recognize that a quality education is first the responsibility of parents and students, then of teachers, administrators, school boards and others in the local community; we support public education; we support school choices for parents; we encourage the development, support, and recognition of quality teachers; we support local accountability that enhances excellence in education; we advocate for the removal of barriers that constrain efforts to open, sustain, and/or expand quality schools and other quality educational opportunities in the marketplace of a free society; and we pray for wisdom in all decisions that impact the lives of the students we serve.

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The search is on for KCC outstanding alumnus

The Kirtland Community College (KCC) Alumni Association is seeking nominations for the 1995 Outstanding Alumnus of the Year.

Nominees must have graduated in 1985 or before, with an Associate in Arts, Associate in Science, Associate in Applied Science, or a Certificate of Completion. They should also be making a contribution to the community, as well as the college. Previous

candidates are automatically re-nominated this year. Those who have been an outstanding alumnus are not nominated again.

If you wish to make a nomination, you must do so by Feb. 13. Send the person's name, address and a brief background to Kirtland Alumni Office, attention Dale Marie Losee, 10775 N. St. Helen Road, Roscommon, MI 48653.

Republicans hold Lincoln Day Dinner

The Crawford/Roscommon counties Republican Lincoln Day Dinner will be Saturday, Feb. 25, at the Grayling American Legion Hall, starting at 6 p.m. The main speaker for this event will be newly elected Michigan Secretary of State Candice S. Miller. Also on the program will be Appeals Court Judge, Peter O'Connell, as master of ceremonies, Congressman Dave Camp, State Senator George McManus, State Representatives Allen Lowe and John Gernaat and State Board of Education member Sharon Wise.

Miller is from Macomb County, where she graduated from Lake Shore High School in St. Clair Shores in 1972. She went on to attend both Macomb County Community College and Northwood Institute. She is a member of Central Macomb County Chamber of Commerce, Macomb County Treasurers and Assessors Association, Michigan Association of County Treasurers and Selfridge Air National Guard Base Community Council.

After high school, Miller worked for eight years in her family's marina

as secretary/treasurer. In 1979, she was elected Harrison Township Trustee, and was the first Republican elected there since 1950. In 1980, she was the first female ever elected as Harrison Township Supervisor, a post she held until 1992, when she was elected Macomb County Treasurer, where she was the first Republican elected to a county-wide office in that county since 1946. In the fall of 1994, she became the first woman elected Michigan Secretary of State, the position she now holds.

Her hobbies are boating and yacht racing. In this capacity she was a member of the first all-female yacht crew, in both the Chicago to Mackinac and the Port Huron to Mackinac yacht races.

Miller is married to Col. Donald G. Miller, retired Selfridge Air National Guard base commander. They have one daughter, Wendy.

Miller will speak about the improvements in the operation of the Michigan Secretary of State branch offices. Camp will update everyone on what is new in Washington and what it is like being in the majority party for the first time in 40 years. McManus, Lowe and Gernaat will report on the Lansing legislative agenda, and Wise will give some insights into what might be expected to happen in Michigan public education.

Tickets for the event are \$12.50 per person and can be purchased at Mac's Drugs, Mary's Corner Book Store, Empire National Bank, and Goodale's Bakery, or from members of the Crawford County Republican Committee. A call to Art Thayer at 348-7253, or a check mailed to him made out to the Crawford County Republicans, will also get tickets. Mail your check to Art Thayer at 408 Plum Street, Grayling, MI 49738. All tickets must be purchased by Feb. 18, none will be available at the door.

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Community News Briefs

DNR to conduct public meetings on hunting issues

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will conduct six statewide citizen input meetings on various issues related to deer hunting in Michigan. Members of the Natural Resources Commission may also be present.

"We especially want to hear from Michigan sportsmen and women whether they think hunting deer over bait should continue as it exists today, whether some restrictions or limitations should be imposed, or whether the practice should be eliminated," explained DNR Director Roland Harmes.

"However," added Harmes, "citizens may utilize these public forums to discuss any aspects of deer hunting. We will not limit expressed opinions exclusively to the baiting issue."

"Those of us who enjoy the sport of deer hunting need to listen to each other and, together, determine appropriate actions to address some controversial issues facing us. That's what these meetings are all about," Harmes concluded.

All meetings will run from 3 to 5 p.m., and will resume again at 6 p.m., and continue until 10 p.m. Those attending the meetings will be asked

to fill out a card expressing their opinion as to whether hunting for deer over bait should be, 1-left as is; 2-limited, or 3-eliminated. Anyone wishing to verbally express their opinions will be granted between three and five minutes to do so, depending on the number of people desiring to speak.

The meeting for northern Michigan will be held on Wednesday, March 1, in Acme, at the Grand Traverse Resort, Blossom Room, 6300 U.S. 31 North.

Citizens are also welcome to submit comments in writing to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Wildlife Division, P.O. Box 30444, Lansing, MI 48909.

The Natural Resources Commission conducts its next monthly meeting and provides yet another forum for public comment on Feb. 8, in rooms 204/205 of the Lansing Center, 333 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. For more information, contact Karen Scott at 517-373-2352.

No decision will be made on the baiting issue until all public meetings have concluded. Should any changes ultimately be made in current regulations, the effective date would be no sooner than the 1996 deer hunting season.

The Framery II to feature exhibit by local artist Ardis Jordan

The Framery II presents local artist, Ardis Jordan, on Saturday, Jan. 28, from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Jordan has earned acclaim for her watercolors on varied subjects, including florals and landscapes. Her latest award came from the 1994 Roscommon Juried Art Festival. She has studied with many well known artists.

Jordan's appearance at The Framery II is part of an ongoing series of shows by local artists. A different artist will be featured on the last

Saturday of each month.

The public is invited to stop in to get acquainted with Ardis Jordan's recent works. Refreshments will be served and a drawing held for one of Jordan's watercolor paintings.

The Framery II is located at 127 Michigan Avenue, in uptown Grayling. The hours are 10 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. daily, except Sunday and Monday.

For more information on The Framery II visiting artist series, please phone 348-8817.

Local businesses cautioned to beware of advertising scam

Grayling High School Athletic Director, Ben Laser, has reported some area businesses have been receiving calls from persons claiming to be participating with the GHS athletic department in printed material, and asking the businesses to buy advertising.

Laser said the GHS athletic department is not participating in any publications, other than those from within the school, such as the yearbook, the school paper and athletic programs.

Laser asks if your business is approached by anyone claiming to be working with the athletic department, to please contact him at 348-7641, or contact the Crawford County Sheriff Department at 348-4616.

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McManus responds to state-of-the-state address

State Senator George McManus, R-Traverse City, made the following statement recently in response to the governor's fifth state-of-the-state address:

"With Michigan's economy surging, we have an opportunity to make the tax cuts Governor Engler has proposed for individuals and job providers.

I'm encouraged by his proposal to revise the Single Business Tax. Michigan is the only state that imposes such a tax on its job providers. Other states market that against us when recruiting businesses.

I also support the governor's call to cut the intangibles and income taxes. Cutting the intangibles tax will help thousands of senior citizens across

The call to develop a new approach to cleaning up pollution and reusing old industrial sites in cities and townships is critically important. We need to decide 'how clean is clean?' to better protect our environment and help spur economic growth."



Senator George McManus

Michigan and encourage saving and investment.

The governor made a bold call to repeal the state School Code with a local Education Code. This would maintain accountability and puts parents back in charge. I'm all for giving parents, locally elected school boards and their superintendents more authority to run their schools as they see fit.

School meeting set to discuss millage proposal

The Crawford AuSable School District Board of Education has scheduled a meeting on Monday, Feb. 6, at 7 p.m. in the Grayling Middle School conference room.

Strategic planning for the upcoming millage proposal will be on the agenda and members of the general public who may want to participate in planning and carrying out the millage campaign are urged to attend.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Reader upset with same school millage proposal

To the editor:

I was appalled and infuriated to read in a recent issue of the Avalanche that the Crawford AuSable School Board is going to waste the taxpayer's money on yet another attempt to try to pass the millage issue for a new elementary school and repairs and improvements to other schools in the system. After multiple defeats of this proposal, it would seem to me that our school board is pretty dense if they have not yet absorbed the message from the people of this school system. We do not want this proposal to pass! Get it guys! The answer is a resounding no!

It would seem to me there are better ways to spend the four or five thousand dollars it's going to take to run yet another election. For instance, it is my understanding that some of the classes in our middle and high school do not have enough textbooks for the students. Why not use this money constructively and buy the books our kids need?

Also, the bathroom situation at our high school is horrible. How about using that four or five thousand dollars to provide bathrooms for the students that provide privacy and show that the school board and administrators have a modicum of respect for the human dignity of our young people.

Put your heads together, board members, and I'll bet you can come up with other ways to spend the money,

rather than flushing it down the drain of another futile election.

I want to say here that I agree with Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes' statement, "I do not mind paying my taxes. It is the way I purchase civilization." I think it has to be made clear that the defeat of the millage is not a money issue so much as an expression of frustration with a school board and administration that seem to be trying to ram something down our throats rather than coming to the community to say, "O.K., what could you support?"

I am not anti-schools or anti-kids or anti-needed improvements, and I have been struggling with this, and I believe many other have, too.

But I have to realize that by my "no" vote, I am no more responsible for the defeat of the millage proposal than the school board and administration are. Their stubborn refusal to try to work with the community and insistence that only they are right is self-defeating. So I will continue to vote my convictions and continue to say, "no."

May God bless those who teach and those who learn in our community. May the hearts of the children be turned to the teachers and the hearts of the teachers be turned to the children.

Ruth Ann Lee
Grayling



ALMANACK By Richard Milliman

Cutting taxes is a tough job

HOW COMES SUCH a pleasurable job as cutting taxes is such a tough one?

Gov. John Engler is about to find out.

In his fifth and latest State of the State address, Mr. Engler reinforced his image as a tough tax-cutter with a three-pronged tax reduction proposal.

He wants to reduce, then eliminate, Michigan's intangibles tax; lower the state income tax by modest increases in personal exemptions; and lower the business activities tax.

"I want these three taxes cut within the next 30 days," Mr. Engler told assembled legislators. "Just do it."

Odds are they won't — at least within the Engler deadline — because although most everyone agrees with tax cuts, not everyone agrees with how. With 110 House members, and 38 senators, there are at least 109 ideas on how best to cut taxes (one House seat is vacant).

But then, that's what legislating is all about.

Proposing is one thing. Passage is quite another, and much, much tougher, too...

TAX CUTTING WAS one of the few areas where Mr. Engler was specific in his State of the State speech. Mainly he dealt in generalities and broad strokes.

He reinforced his image — both locally and nationally — that he's one tough political cookie. He's against big government and for balanced budgets. He cuts taxes. He wants to lock up criminals and throw away the key. He won't stand for welfare malingers.

No way did Mr. Engler change or soften the hard-line conservative posture that clings to him like dew on the morning grass.

He ran through a Christmas tree list of subjects, indicating concern and need for improvement — government red tape, job creation, pollution, education reform, job training, medicare, balanced budget, civil service reform, welfare responsibility,

children-at-risk, crime and prisons.

Most got the quick swath of a fast painter. Some, such as education and welfare, got more words, but not much detail.

Others got specifics, such as \$200 million for corrections including a new punk prison ... or "at least three skilled trade academics" to teach hands-on work skills, which seems like a good idea, at least at first glance.

LOTS OF STUDY may be in the offing, too.

The governor suggested committees or commissions on morality, regulatory reform, children-at-risk (which is becoming a catch phrase), job creation, neighborhood improvement, and maybe a few other areas.

He skipped any mention of roads (including the impending battle over higher gas taxes), insurance, mental health, agriculture, legislative or campaign reform, state sanctioned gambling, aging, worker comp or unemployment benefits or any other favorite labor subject.

Of course, in a single speech, no governor can cover every single topic of concern — although governors frequently try.

What Mr. Engler discussed obviously are the concerns in which he is interested, which is as it should be.

But while the Engler list was broad, it was a bit narrow, too. There were no bleeding heart issues here — no hint of increased government help for individuals.

Now way could it have been mistaken as a speech by a Democratic

governor, or even by a politically moderate Republican.

One of Mr. Engler's strengths as a politician and as a governor is that he is what he pretends to be.

Once more in the State of the State message, he reinforced that point.

NUTS AND JOLTS—Some column closing Nuts and Jolts from Hod Shewell:

—Money seems to be the American foreign policy — we give and everyone else takes.

—When politicians claim they live by their wits, taxpayers can be sure they're half right.

—A cold is both positive and negative ... first the eyes have it, then the nose.

—By the time most folks have money to burn, the fire's gone out.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

DOODLES FROM THE TALL TIMBER

By Wendell L. Hoover, Park Interpreter

On a recent excursion for the elusive whitetail, we were in an area where there was much evidence of beaver activity, which in one instance had closed a road. Without a doubt, the beaver is as prolific a dam builder as the Army Corps of Engineers.

A long time ago, I spent a considerable amount of time in the company of an old-time trapper who became a very close and dear friend. I once helped him carry out a beaver that, when the hide was stretched, added up to a total of 100 inches across and long. That was in a day when beaver pelts brought a dollar an inch and the limit was two. According to my source book, a beaver may weigh up to 60 pounds and I am sure that one weighed that, or more.

A beaver is a unique critter in several ways. They can stay under water for 15 minutes or more, and since they can close their lips behind their front teeth,

they can cut wood under water without drowning. They don't have a problem with water getting in their ears either, since valves automatically shut them off when they submerge.

Where the road was not passable because of water and downed trees, there was much evidence of tree cutting and food storage. One source I have, claims an acre of aspen will support a family of seven beavers for one year. Aspen twigs and bark are favorite foods, but a beaver will cut trees eight or more inches in diameter to get the tasty parts they favor.

The young of beavers are called kits and either leave on their own, or are driven out of the lodge by the adults when they are two years old. From two to four kits are born each year, so it is no wonder we have so many problems from critters doing what comes naturally.

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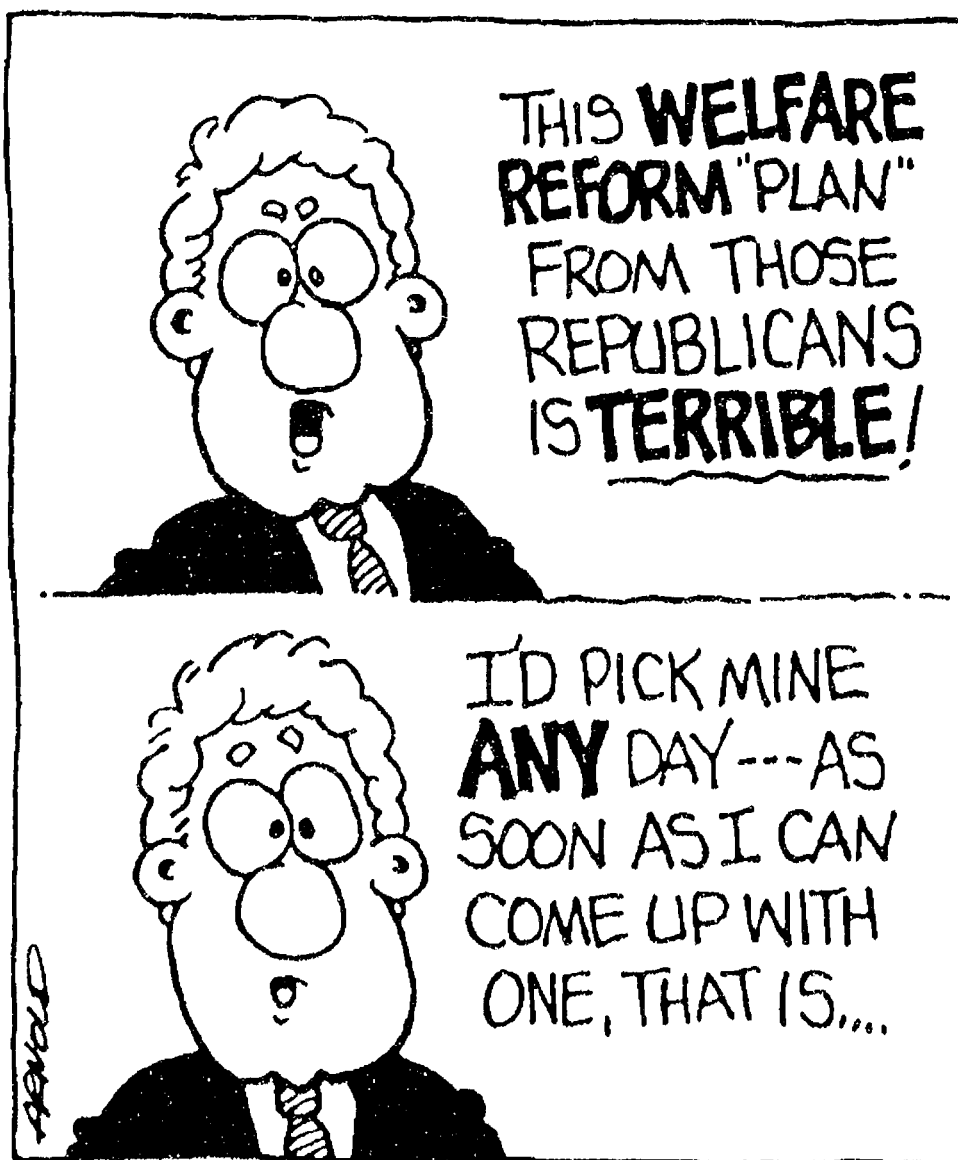
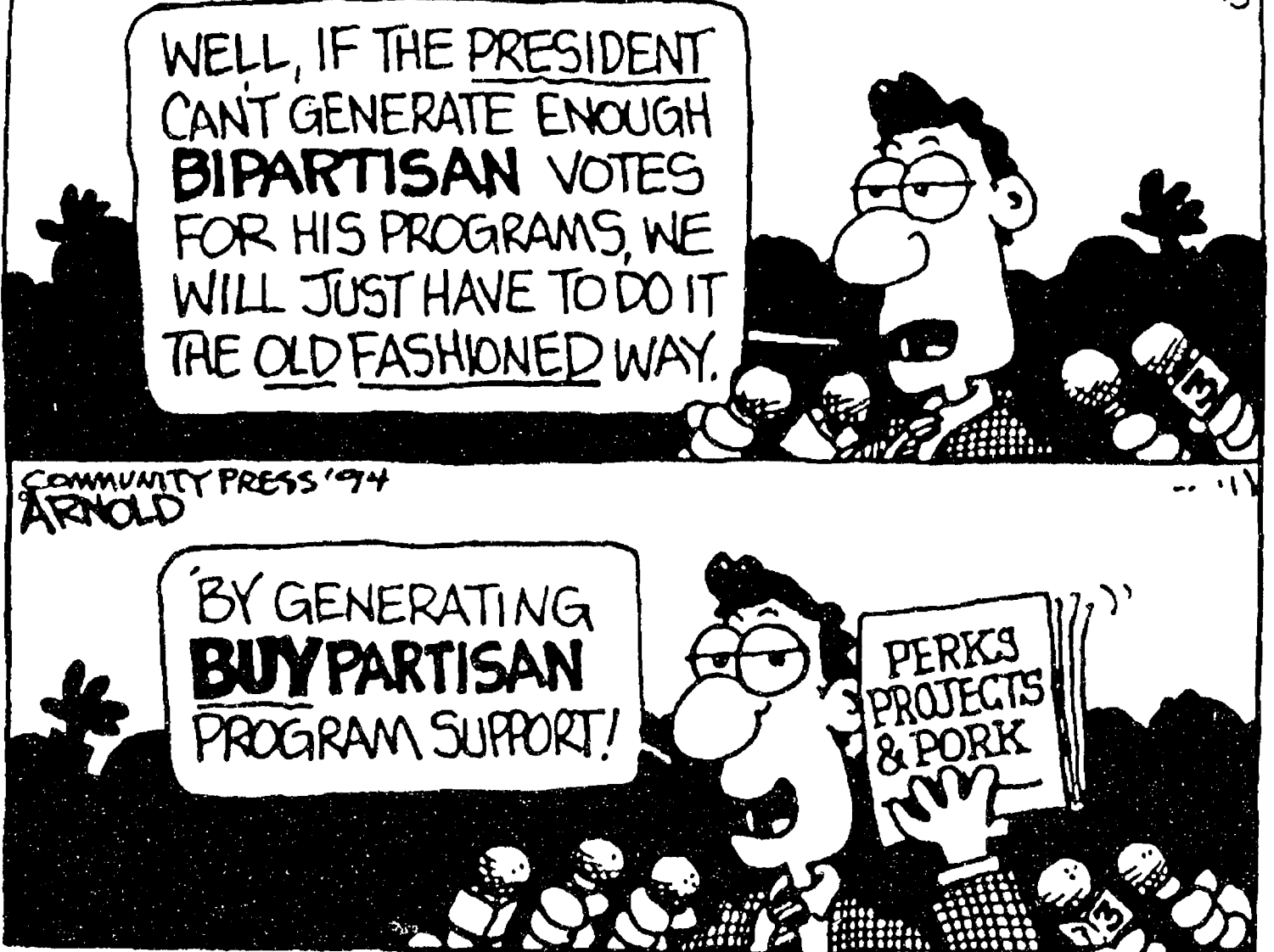
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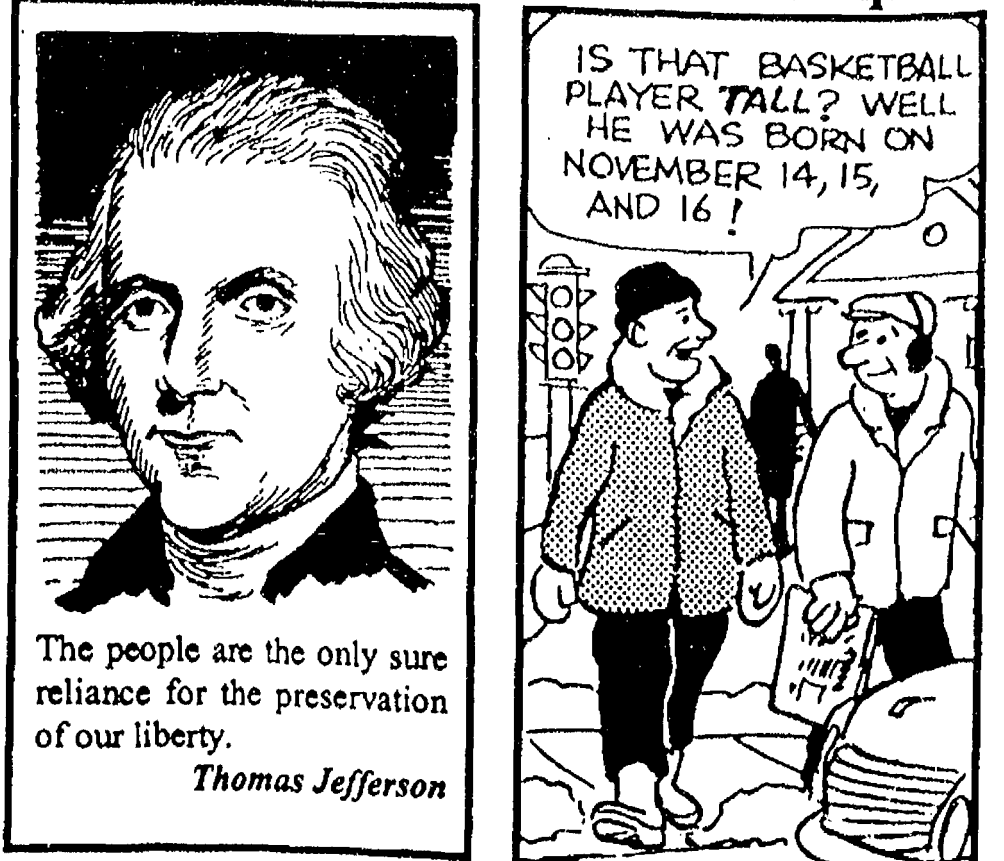
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- Jan. 23, 1983 - The Pentagon announced that an out-of-control, radioactive soviet spy satellite had plunged to fiery destruction in the atmosphere over the Indian Ocean.
- Jan. 24, 1916 - The U.S. Supreme Court ruled that the federal income tax was constitutional.
- Jan. 25, 1890 - Reporter Nellie Bly (Elizabeth Cochrane) of the New York World received a tumultuous welcome home after she completed a round-the-world journey in 72 days, six hours and 11 minutes.
- Jan. 26, 1939 - Principal photography began for David O. Selznick's movie version of "Gone With The Wind."
- Jan. 27, 1880 - Thomas Edison received a patent for his electric incandescent lamp.
- Jan. 28, 1878 - The first commercial telephone switchboard went into operation, in New Haven, Conn.

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TALL TIMBER TALES

By Mark Stormzand

The rough trail

Groaning, I pulled myself up onto the downed tree. Then I really let out a groan because before me lay a tangled mass of trees. As far as I could judge, this jack straw mess extended for about a half a mile and my compass bearing brought me right through the middle of it. Leaning on the downed tree, pondering my bloody rotten luck, I felt my companion's weight added to the tree. Prairie, my dog, had put her front paws up on the tree and was gazing out over the opening. From the expression on her face and the tongue hanging out, I knew she had a different view of the situation than I. I was sure she thought this was one of those great adventures that she looks forward to each morning as she waits patiently next to my dinner bucket while I finish my tea. I, on the other hand, was not in the least bit excited about crawling through that mess.

At first glance this job looked rather simple. I had made some forestry recommendations to Mr. Fisher, which included harvesting 20 acres of over-mature aspen on his property. But, prior to any harvesting taking place, I needed to reestablish the survey lines around the property. As luck would have it, I could not locate one corner. So, my other option was to walk south from a known survey point two miles north. By doing this, I was hoping to find some type of evidence that a line used to be there. This sign might include old fencing, blazes on trees, or if I really got lucky, a survey stake.

At 3 o'clock, I left carrying my aerial photos, map, compass, and hip chain. A hip chain is a device that reels out a very fine string as you walk, while a meter records the distance for you. This is a great tool because the old way of tracking distance while you walked was counting paces. This system is fairly accurate until you fall and forget what number you were on. Also, you got so well trained to count your paces that whenever you walked, you mumbled to yourself, "one-ah-two-ah-three..." This made for strange looks when in public places. Mothers would gently grab their children by

the hand and give you a pitiful look as they veered away from you with child in tow.

It was now 3:30, and I had only gone a half a mile. I knew it was going to get dark around 5 p.m. and the last place I wanted to be was in that jungle. So, I said to Prairie, "We're burning daylight. Let's go." With that, she bounded over the tree and was off. I started a bit more slowly across the entanglement. Sometimes I crawled on my hands and knees underneath downed trees, while at other times I was 10 feet in the air like I was on a giant monkey bars. Warily, I made my way across the landscape, one foot at a time. It started to snow and I thought to myself, "Good! I love challenges. Let's add slippery conditions to this adventure." About halfway across we hit a small opening and kicked up a rabbit. Prairie took off on the chase, which normally I find amusing. But this time she had hooked the string of the hip chain around her chest. "Whizz!!" was all I heard as the line unreeled. It sounded like I had a 10-pound bass on the other end of the line. I was shouting, the rabbit was dodging, and Prairie was at a sprint. In the end, Prairie returned with the line still around her chest, and I hadn't a clue how much extra line she had pulled out. I guess no tool is a perfect tool.

It was getting darker by the minute. So I decided to abort this mission and concentrate on getting out of the bush before midnight. I was roughly half way so I decided to push on because I knew what was behind me. Now I had the advantage of not having to walk in a straight line, so I could try to dodge some of the worst areas. This also gave me the opportunity to examine the downed forest with a different point of view. Why was the forest horizontal rather than vertical? Simple, it had all blown over and not once, but twice, or probably many times in its life. There was a layer of downed balsam on the bottom. I was sure this stand of balsam had succumbed to an attack from spruce bud worm and died. Then a few years later, it had blown over in a heavy

wind. The second layer of downed trees were primarily aspen, birch, and soft maple. These trees simply were guilty of being a biological organism. They matured. Being over mature and weak, they were blown over in recent winds. A quick glance at this downed forest and one would think disaster had struck. Not a tree standing within roughly 30 acres except for a few dead snags. Yet, if you had been crawling on your hands and knees, as I had been, you would have seen a beautiful sight. Beneath acres and acres of downed trees, a new forest had begun. There were tiny young balsam, aspen, birch, and soft maple trees sticking their heads up through the snow. Also, there were many tracks of animals feeding on these young trees or taking shelter in the tangled trees. This was how Mother Nature works. Things live, mature, then die.

Finally, I made my way through the entanglement to some standing trees and it felt good to travel upright. Darkness was almost upon us when we hit the next obstacle, a very wide beaver pond.

"No! I don't believe my luck," I shouted. "Now what am I going to do?"

I really had only one choice and that was to try and find a shallow or frozen area to cross. I found neither, but I did find the old dam and was able to cross the deepest part with only a soaking to my knees. Prairie, however, decided to swim across and loved every minute of the cold, smelly trip.

Earlier I had chosen to go forward rather than retreat because our house was within a mile of the Fisher property. I stumbled on to the old logging road which led to our house. The darkness was not a problem now because I knew where I was. I was greeted by my daughter, Anna, at the door rather hesitantly.

"Dad, you and Prairie look wet and muddy. I don't think mom would want you coming in here like that," she said.

"Fine, I am going to the sauna. Could you give me a pail of water and I will wash Prairie off out here?" I asked.

I had acquired a fair number of

scrapes and bruises during the day and the heat from the sauna felt grand. Stretched out on the bench I could not help think of the blown-over area in which I had spent the afternoon. The 20 acres we were to harvest from the Fisher property was very similar to the blown-over area. After we were through, the tops left would provide cover and shelter for wildlife. A few dead snags would be left for nesting trees; and the full sunlight would allow the new forest a chance to grow, supplying food for many forms of wildlife. There was one major difference though. Before the trees blew over, we would utilize them for human needs. With the world population ever expanding, I felt good knowing that with proper forest management — and a little help from Mother Nature — our northern Michigan forests can truly be a sustainable forest.

As I relaxed, I thought to myself, "I wonder if I have any paperwork I can do in the office tomorrow?"

Mark Stormzand is a forester for Weyerhaeuser Co. in both Grayling and Cheboygan, writing this column to inform and entertain the public on forestry related issues.

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FRI. 27	• BBB VS. ROGERS CITY , home, 6:15 pm.
SAT. 28	• WINTER WOLF CHALLENGE TRIATHLON - kayak event @ Ray's Canoe Livery beginning @ 10 am. • GRAYLING EAGLES "VEGAS NIGHT" @ 6:30 pm - 1 am. \$5 admission. • COMMUNITY EDUCATION DINNER THEATRE "Broadway To Hollywood" @ Holiday Inn, 6 pm.
SUN. 29	• GRAYLING YOUTH BOOSTER'S pancake breakfast @ Hanson Hills, 7 am - 1 pm. • WINTER WOLF CHALLENGE TRIATHLON - Nordic ski event @ Hanson Hills, 10:45 am. Snowshoe event @ 1:30 pm. • WQON CHILI COOKOFF @ Hanson Hills, 1-3 pm: The public is invited to attend and judge the town's best chili! • AWARDS CEREMONY & raffle drawing for Winter Wolf Challenge @ Hanson Hills, 2 pm. • ATTEND THE CHURCH of your choice.
MON. 30	• KIWANIS LUNCHEON meeting @ Chief Shoppenagon's Motor Hotel, 12:10 pm. • SCHOOL CLOSED for district inservice. • VB VS. KALKASKA , home, 6 pm. • FRESH BBB VS. WHITEMORE PRESCOTT , home, 7 pm.
TUES. 31	• GRAYLING PROMOTIONAL ASSOCIATION luncheon meeting @ Iron Gate Restaurant, 12 noon. • GRAYLING UPTOWN DISTRICT ASSOCIATION meeting @ 8 am, Stevens Family Circle Restaurant. • COA "PJ Party" dance @ 5:30 pm - bring your slippers and jammies; prizes will be awarded. • COA WHITE ELEPHANT AUCTION @ 5:30 pm. • BBB VS. KALKASKA , home, 6 pm.

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New memorial books at the Crawford County Library:

In memory of Tom Trenary, *Alaska Guide* by Cornell, and *Vanishing wetlands* by Don and Rae Ann Schanz.

In memory of Leo Purvis, *Floating City* by Don and Puff Denton, *Moon shot* by Shirley Devine and *Fist of god* by Robert and Maxine Papendick.

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For Edna Regina Gallagher, *Arthur's first sleep over*, *Is that Josie and Rodeo day* by Norm and Shirley Schmooock.

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Question: What other plans do you have besides a national 800 number?

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- Improve training programs for Donor Resources staff;
- Adjust convenience of donating blood;
- Target special donors;
- Focus on critical (holiday) collections periods;
- Recruit new donors;
- Corporate campaigns.

Question: Is "fear of giving blood" an issue that has affected donations? Are many people afraid to give blood because they think they could get AIDS?

Answer: Fortunately, the great majority of people in this country understand that giving blood is a safe and healthy thing to do... and that saves lives. While a recent poll has found that as much as nine percent of Americans have that fear, they are not blood donors. Blood donors know that giving blood is safe. That's why, in recruiting new donors, we

recommend that they become familiar with the process by coming to the donor site with a veteran blood donor. Our "bring a friend" programs help us recruit new blood donors and also help spread the good news that giving blood is safe.

Question: We hear quite often about blood shortages. What is the Red Cross doing to avoid shortages in the future?

Answer: Blood shortages, although frightening for patients who need blood, are usually seasonal and have shown a predictable pattern.

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We're also looking at ways to make it more convenient for the blood donor to give more frequently. We've extended our hours in many places, opened on weekends and on holidays,

and, launched a national 800 number for blood donations. We're trying to be as accessible as possible because the blood supply relies totally on volunteers.

Question: Many people are afraid to receive blood, thinking they might get AIDS from it. How would you characterize the safety of blood?

Answer: The blood supply is safer today than it has ever been. There are several things that contribute to a safe blood supply -- for example, we ask probing questions of each donor and we test every donation for infectious diseases. It must be understood, however, that a blood transfusion, like any medical procedure, may carry a small risk.

Blood is given to you only if you need it. And in that situation, the benefits outweigh the risk.

Question: What kind of changes or technological advances do you expect to see? Blood substitutes? Viral inactivation?

Answer: There will always be a need for blood from volunteer donors. Although the research in the area of blood substitutes is promising, the clinical trials have not yet produced a

lasting substitute for red blood cells -- the part of blood that carries oxygen throughout your body. Blood donations are used for many other treatments in addition to carrying oxygen -- for example, blood clotting and replacing vital proteins. There are substitutes for several other products, but not for gamma globulin. While a red blood cell substitute may someday be a reality, blood donors will always be needed for the other qualities that only human blood can provide.

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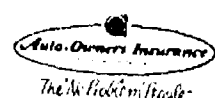
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School bond goes back to voters

By Linda Denton
Staff Writer

An application to the Michigan Department of Treasury for preliminary qualification of bonds was approved Tuesday, Jan. 10, at a special meeting of the Board of Education.

The Department of Treasury will rule on the application by the end of this month. The Board will meet again in a special meeting Feb. 6 to formally set the Mar. 21 election date following approval from the Department of Treasury.

The board action was unanimous with one board member absent. Board Trustee Brian Banda was unable to attend due to job commitments. Banda is on public record as being in full support of the proposals.

The March 21 ballot will have two propositions, which together contain all components of the Dec. 13 bond issue proposal, which was defeated by 109 votes.

Barbara Mick, principal of Grayling Elementary School, said "I know the community has always been supportive of the schools, but this has just been a tough issue to pass. We continue to have a tremendous need and I'm glad we're going back to the voters because the need doesn't go away."

A few residents of Crawford County

were willing to voice their opinions. Meg Cueter said, "I don't have any kids school age, but I think any investment in your kids is an investment in the future." Cueter said she would be sure to vote yes the next time the proposal comes to the voters. Better to spend the money now than in 10 years when it's a bigger problem said Cueter.

Lois Fleeger said "I'm most impressed about the traffic pattern." Fleeger said the new traffic pattern is an important safety consideration.

Currently the entrance to the elementary school is congested and interferes with the emergency entrance to Mercy Hospital. Proposal one will improve traffic flow by routing traffic away from the hospital. Bus traffic will be separated from automobile traffic.

"I think the children's lives are so important," said Fleeger. Fleeger said her husband and herself are very supportive of the bond issue and are glad that the voters now have two different choices.

Proposal one will be for \$8,895,000 for an additional elementary school for grades preschool through second grade attached to the Grayling Elementary School, for additions and renovations to the Grayling and Frederic Elementary Schools,

for playground, parking and traffic flow improvements at both elementary sites, for purchase of land adjacent to the middle school and development of playfields and improved parking at that site, for technology pathways and equipment in all district buildings, and for movement of the district athletic field from the Grayling Elementary site to the high school site.

Proposal two is for \$3,210,000 for classroom, cafeteria, kitchen and entryway additions to the high school building, for renovations and reallo-

cation of space within the high school building, and for replacement of the high school heating and ventilating system.

The total for the two propositions is \$12,105,000. Proposition one will require an increase in the district debt retirement millage of .95 mills. Proposition two will require an increase in the district debt retirement millage of .30 mills.

Board members stated that all components of each of the two propositions are essential to address current district overcrowding and pressing infrastructure needs.

GMS Geography bee 7th grade winner

By Linda Denton
Staff Writer

Everyone should know that the capital of Michigan is Lansing, but do you know that the capital of Chile is Santiago? Or even what continent Chile is in? Or what two countries border Sweden?

The lack of knowledge about geography has sparked video games and TV shows such as *Where in the World is Carmen San Diego?* But for several students at Grayling Middle School, geography is no problem.

Amy Stevenson, 7th grader, won the school Geography Bee, which is the first round in the competition, leading to the seventh annual National Geography Bee, which is sponsored by the National Geographic World magazine and the Chrysler Corporation.

The local preliminary competition began in the social studies classes of Mrs. McDaniel, Mr. Stockton, and Mr. Lyk. The 17 winners from the class competitions met for a round of questions to qualify them for the ten school finalists.

The ten finalists were Amy Stevenson (winner), Josh Petrie (runner-up), Heidi Englund, Sarah McGuire, Jon

Moore, John McNamara, Nathan Ross, Amanda Love, Dave Golnick, and Eric Safin.

The final competition was held in the GMS library on Thursday, Jan. 5. The moderator was Lynn Thompson and the scorekeeper was Tracey Gallagher. Judges were Mr. Lyk, and Miss MacDonald.

Gift certificates from Pizza Hut were given to all ten finalists. Kmart and Ben Franklin gift certificates were given to the winner and runner-up. Amy also received a National Geographic Picture Atlas of the world, courtesy of the Social Studies Department at GMS.

Amy will advance to the next level of state competition, which is a written examination of 70 questions. The top 100 scorers in each state will be eligible to compete in their state bee on Friday, April 7.

The state champion will participate in the National Geography Bee on May 30-31 in Washington D.C. Alex Trebek, host of "Jeopardy," will moderate the national finals.

Chile is in South America. Finland and Norway are the two countries which border Sweden.



GEOGRAPHY BEE FINALISTS -- Back row (l to r) Amanda Love, Josh Petrie, Heidi Englund, Sarah McGuire and Dave Golnick. Front row (l to r) Nathan Ross, John McNamara, Amy Stevenson and Jon Moore. Not pictured: Eric Safin.

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By Charles Tinsley, Cadillac Social Security Representative

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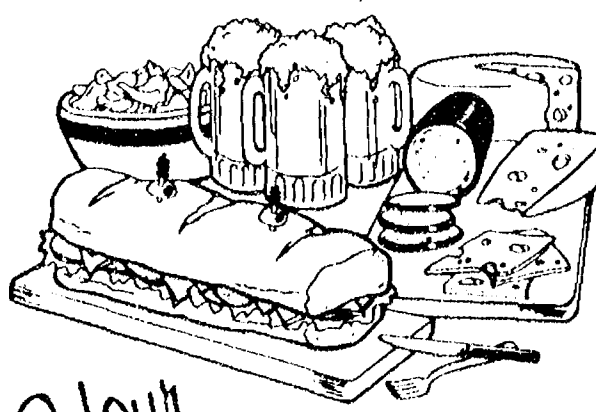
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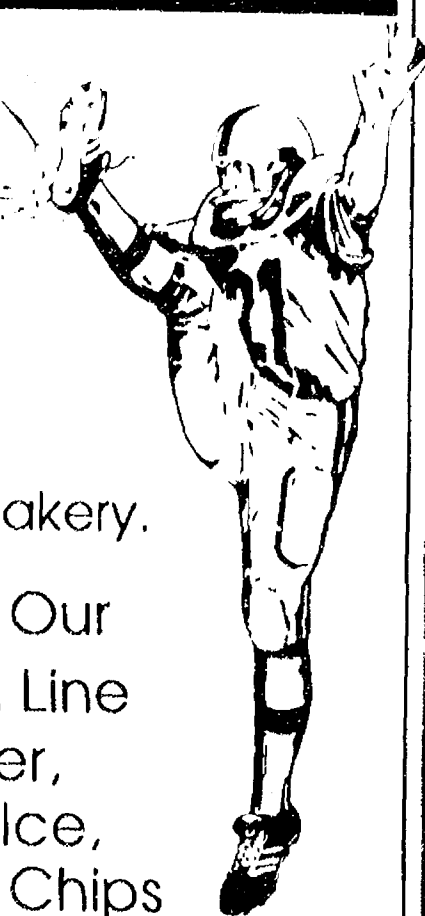
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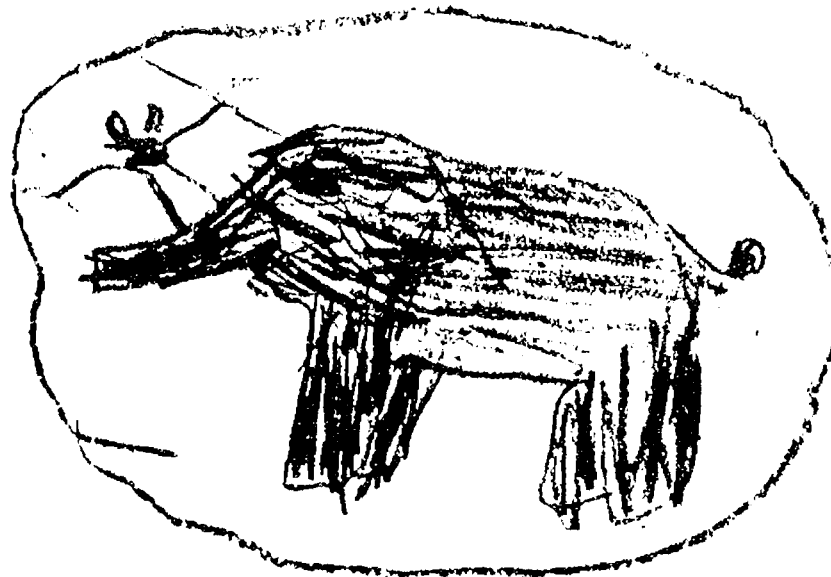
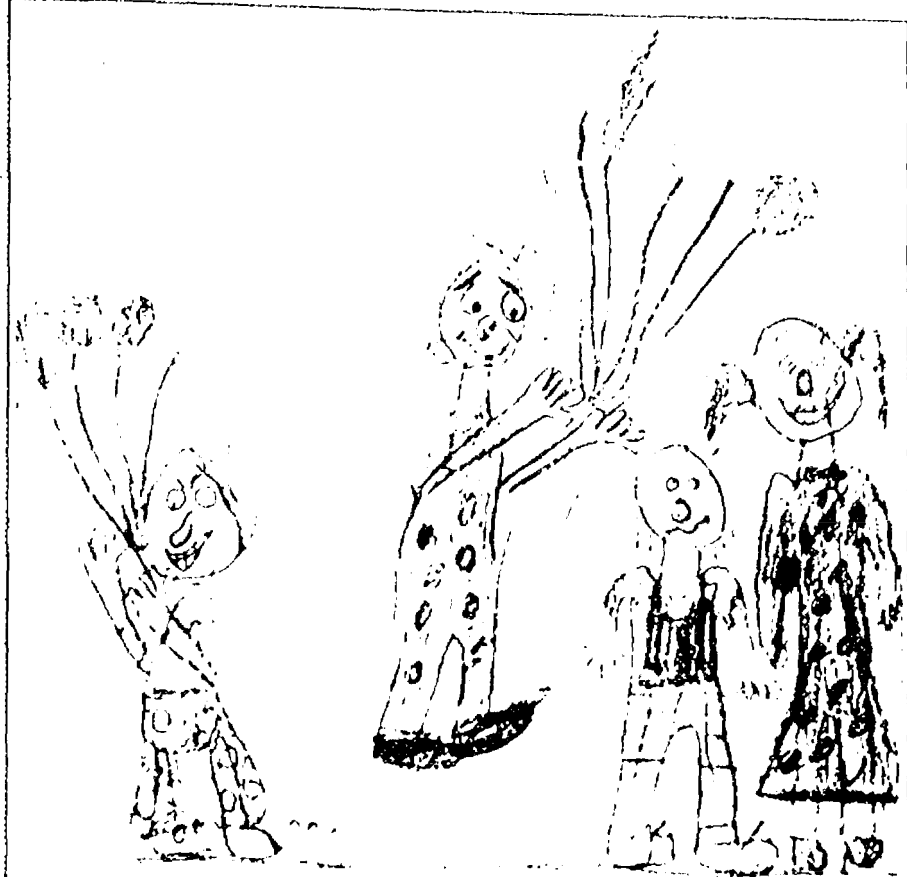


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Going to the Shrine Circus

These pictures were the winning entries in the Shrine Circus coloring contest. For their artistic interpretations of the circus, Monica Safin (L), age 9, Jordon Wakeley (Top R), age 4, and Jessica Green (Top L), age 9, all of Grayling, have won tickets for free admittance.

The 52nd annual Shrine Circus will be held at the Flint IMA Sports Arena, Jan. 13 through 20, and at the Saginaw Civic Center, Jan. 24 through 29.

Proceeds from the circus are for the benefit of the Shriner's Elf Khurafah Temple.

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M.S.U. EXTENSION NEWS

By Elizabeth McMillin, Family Nutrition Education Program Coordinator, Crawford County MSU Extension

Healthy eating tips for college students

If you're a college student, chances are you're often pressed for time, under stress and eating on the go. You may find it difficult to avoid two big nutrition bad habits — skipping meals and frequenting fast-food restaurants. Eating a healthy diet can help you feel better, cope with stress better, and perform better in the classroom and in sports. And, best of all, it can be easy.

•Eat a good breakfast. Studies show that skipping breakfast detracts from scholastic achievement. Many healthful options require little or no preparation, such as the Sunrise Breakfast Shake recipe below. If you don't like traditional breakfast foods, it's fine to substitute a peanut butter sandwich on whole-grain bread, low-fat cheese with whole-grain bread or crackers, rice pudding or even pizza.

•If you must eat fast foods, choose wisely. The best choices are pizza; a plain, regular-size hamburger; a regular-size roast beef sandwich; a baked potato, plain or with a touch of margarine or low-fat sour cream; and a green salad with reduced-calorie dressing. Avoid high-fat offerings such as french fries, fried chicken and fish, and oversize or double burger. Choose juice or low-fat milk instead of shakes or soft drinks.

•Keep healthful snacks on hand so that, if hunger strikes during a late-night study session, you won't be tempted by vending machine candy or chips. Possibilities include fresh or dried fruits, nuts or seeds, pretzels, unbuttered popcorn, rice cakes or whole-wheat crackers spread lightly with peanut butter. If you have a refrigerator, consider raw vegetables

with low-fat yogurt or cottage cheese dip.

•Eat plenty of foods rich in calcium. People in their late teens and early 20s, especially women, need to build up stores of calcium in their bodies to prevent osteoporosis in later life. If you don't like milk, try to include ample amounts of yogurt, cheese and leafy green vegetables in your diet. Be sure to select low-fat dairy products.

•If you need to lose weight, do it sensibly. Diets that promise quick weight loss (more than two or three pounds a week) or that have excessive or insufficient amounts of particular nutrients (such as high-protein diets) can be harmful to your health. There is no truth to various claims that eating certain foods in any particular combinations will promote weight loss. The only safe way to lose weight, feel good while doing it and keep it off is to exercise and eat a balanced diet of 1,200 to 2,000 calories a day, depending on your weight, sex and level of activity.

•Sugar provides calories but few other nutrients, and it contributes significantly to tooth decay. Consider sweetening coffee, tea or cereal with diet sweetener instead of sugar. Fruits and fruit juices can also be used as natural sweeteners.

•The cafeteria or restaurant salad bar can be either an asset or a detriment to your diet, depending on how you choose from it. Leafy greens, raw vegetables, fresh fruits and reduced-calorie or vinaigrette dressings are beneficial. But if you choose creamy

dressing, bacon bits, or potato or macaroni salad, the calories and fat may equal or even exceed those of a burger and fries meal.

•If you drink alcohol, keep in mind that it contributes calories, but has no nutrition value. A jigger of liquor, a glass of wine or a light beer each has about 100 calories. A sweet cocktail may have nearly 200 or more calories.

•Drink lots of water. Your body needs at least eight glasses a day, and if you exercise vigorously, you may need more. To remind yourself, keep a pitcher of water on your desk while you're studying and one in the refrigerator, if you have one. If you don't like plain water, try plain seltzer (check the calories on the flavored ones — some have as many calories as soda) club soda or herbal teas.

•Whenever possible, prepare your own meals or snacks. They're bound to be better for you and taste better than processed foods or foods from the deli or fast-food restaurant. And it's easier than you may think.

Sunrise Breakfast Shake

This is a high-calcium way to start the day for you and your roommate. If you live alone, just use half of the ingredients.

- 1 carton (8 ounces) plain low-fat yogurt
- 1 cup skim milk
- 1 banana, preferably frozen
- 3 tablespoons powdered non-fat dry milk
- 1 envelope unflavored gelatin
- 2 packets granulated sugar substitute
- 1/4 teaspoon cinnamon

4-H valentine craft class set for Feb. 9

4-H will be holding a valentine craft class on Thursday, Feb. 9, from 3:15 to 5 p.m. Middle school students who are 10 and over may participate. The craft will be a heart box which the students will decorate. The cost is \$5 per student. This class is limited to 30 students and must be pre-paid by registration deadline, which is Wednesday, Jan. 25, with no exceptions.

To register, or for more information, contact the 4-H office at 348-2841, ext. 264. The 4-H/MSU Extension office is located in the basement of the courthouse.

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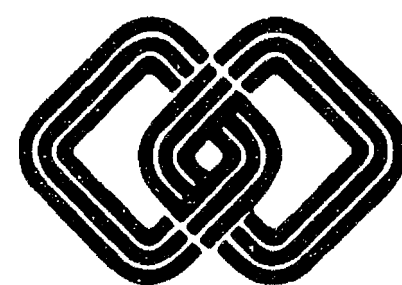
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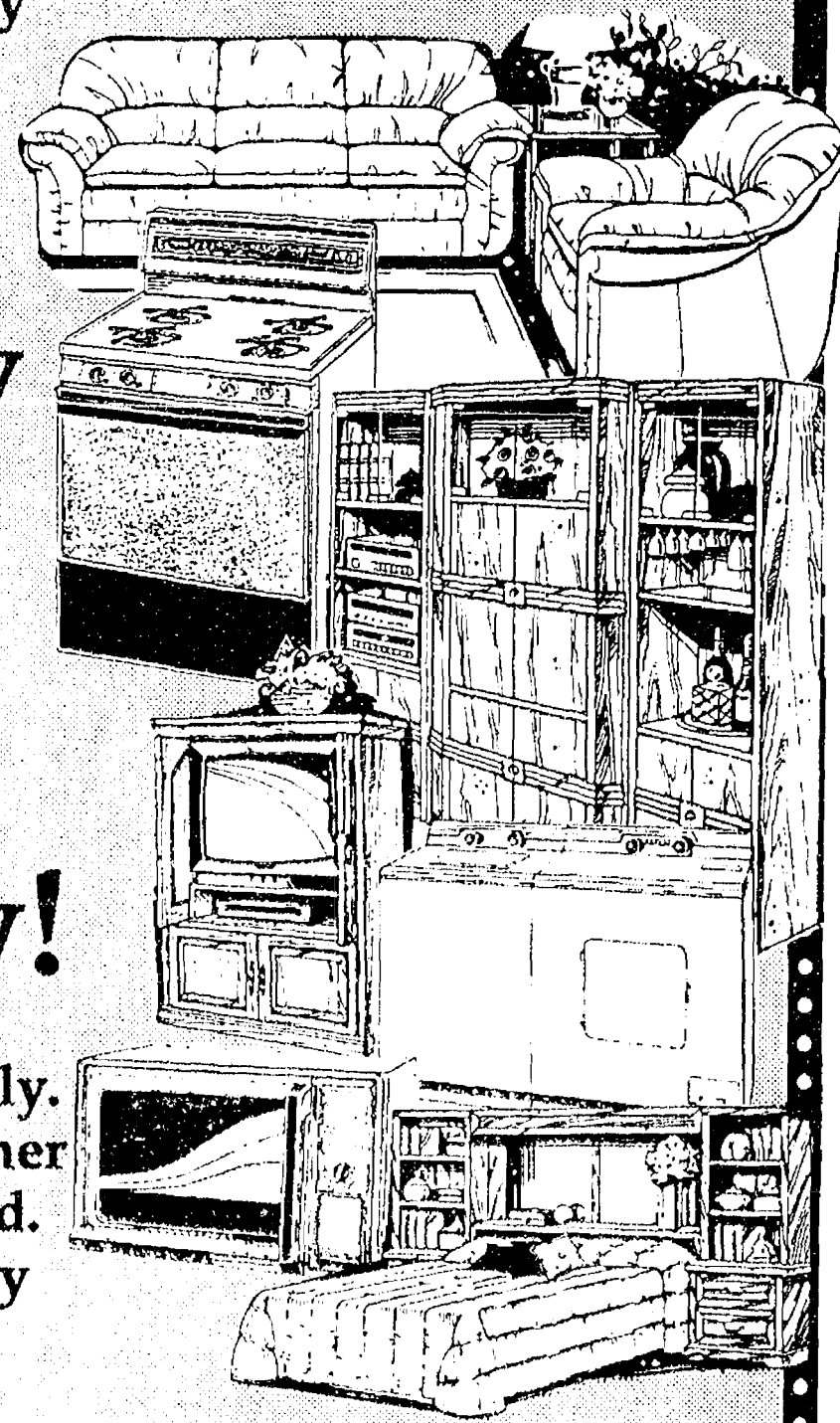
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 EVENING APPOINTMENTS BY REQUEST

KIRTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE NEWS

"Fire Fighter Safety and Survival: Company Officer's Responsibility" will be offered at Kirtland Community College (KCC) on Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 4 and 5, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This course examines significant areas of fire fighter fatalities and injuries associated with emergency and non-emergency situations. Additionally, the course addresses causes of fatalities and injuries and recommends solutions and methods to implement the latter.

Cost for the seminar is \$55 per person.

Winter is the perfect time to begin planning your spring garden. KCC will be offering a 6-hour community services course entitled, "Gardening for Fun!" on Saturday, Feb. 11 and 18, to help you do just that.

Garden for Fun will provide basic information about soil and plant structure; requirements for successfully growing a variety of plants; the opportunity to analyze personal gardening objectives; and site conditions and designing a garden. Topics will include introduction to plants and soils, perennials and the perennial garden, and design.

The class will meet from 9 a.m. to noon both days. Cost is \$20 per person.

KCC will be holding a special 1-day professional development teleconference for library assistants on Tuesday, Feb. 14, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The teleconference will be held in two parts. Part one will run from 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., and is entitled "Professionalism is an Attitude." Issues affecting library assistants such as self esteem, team building, and accepting and giving criticism will be explored.

Part two will be held from 12:45 to 2 p.m. and is entitled "Libraries, Then and Now: What Does the Future Hold?" This session includes a brief history of libraries, trends and issues for the future of libraries, and will continue discussion on individualized services and the unique needs of each person.

Cost for each session is \$10 per

person. If you attend both part one and part two on the same day, the cost is only \$16 per person.

For further information on any of the above courses or to register, contact Kirtland's Community Services office at 517-275-5121, extension 210.

The community services department at KCC maintains a video cassette library of previously broadcast teleconferences. These teleconferences feature national experts and offer convenient and affordable training to individuals and organizations.

Among the many teleconference video cassettes available are: AMA's Seventh Annual Secretaries Briefing — Joining the Empowered Team; AMA's Technology Conference for Secretaries and Administrative Assistants; a Woman's Health: Breast Cancer: Early Detection Initiatives; Compassion Fatigue: The Stress of Caring Too Much; Domestic Violence and Family Preservation Services; First Jobs, Putting People With Disabilities to Work; OSHA Confined Space Regulation Enforcement; Understanding Childhood Mental Disorders; and the Third Annual Mental Health Day. Costs range from \$8 per person, which includes materials, to many that are completely free of charge.

You can schedule a quality training session for your employees, colleagues, or students in a minute by calling Kirtland's Community Services Office at 517-275-5121, extension 210.

Trinidadian writer to read at KCC

Kirtland Community College's Controlled Burn Literary Events and Readings is proud to announce the first reading in the new winter semester. On Wednesday, Feb. 8, Trinidadian novelist, playwright, poet, and scholar, Brenda Flanagan, will be reading from her works. Flanagan's novel *You Alone Are Dancing* received critical acclaim, and her performance at Kirtland presents a rare opportunity for northern Michigan residents to experience the voice and culture of the Caribbean from one of its premier writers.

Beyond her novel, Flanagan has published poems and short stories in many magazines and journals, and she has also produced several plays. She

received the University of Michigan's Hopwood Award, and has received fellowships from the Michigan Council for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts.

This reading will occur at the Continuing Education Center on College Drive, next door to Kirtland's campus at 7:30 p.m. A reception will follow at which time Flanagan will be available for a book signing and conversation. She will also be speaking to an open classroom at Kirtland that afternoon at 4 p.m.

If you have any questions regarding any of the Controlled Burn Literary Events, feel free to contact Gerry LaFemina at 517-275-5121, extension 376.

Mrs. Crawford County applications sought

You could be awarded the title of "Mrs. Crawford County" and represent your community in the 1995 Mrs. Michigan International Pageant.

Married women between the ages of 24 and 55 are eligible to compete. Contestants will be judged in interview, aerobic-wear and evening gown. No previous modeling or pageant experience is necessary. Mrs.

Michigan International 1995, will receive a host of prizes and cash, along with an all-expense paid trip to Texas and the honor of representing Michigan in the Mrs. U.S. International Pageant.

Applications are now available. For further information call 810-682-7616 or write Michigan Pageants, Inc., 2474 Pontiac Drive, Sylvan Lake, MI 48320.

HEALTHLINE

Linda DeMarchis, M.A., Health Educator, and Al Anderson, R.S., Food Service Sanitarian

This column is presented as a public service to the community by District Health Department No. 1, which serves Wexford, Missaukee, Kalkaska, and Crawford counties. If you have a question you would like answered, please send it to Health Educator, District Health Department No. 1, 401 Lake St., Cadillac, MI, 49601.

Question: Can you explain Public Health Code #129 and the importance of proper hand washing by food handlers to prevent diseases? Also, isn't hand washing important in the home as well?

THE PUBLIC HEALTH CODE, ACT 368, P.A. OF 1978, PART 129, AS AMENDED, FOOD SERVICE SANITATION

Answer: The Public Health Code provides the authority to regulate both fixed, mobile and temporary food service establishments, as well as certain vending machines dispensing food and beverages.

One of the aspects of regulating food-service establishments is the inspection of these establishments to check compliance of sanitation standards set forth by the Food Service Sanitation rules of section 12909 of the Public Health Code.

One of the standards looked at is that of personal cleanliness. Item 3-201 of the Food Code states:

Employees shall thoroughly wash their hands and the exposed portions of their arms with soap and warm water before starting work, during work as often as necessary to keep them clean, and after smoking, drinking, eating, or using the toilet. Employees shall keep fingernails clean and trimmed.

There are many causes in the transmission of food-borne illness. Some examples can be improper cooking and holding temperatures, cross contamination of foods, improper, or lack of hand washing, as well as other methods.

The old saying that hand washing is the cornerstone of good sanitation is especially true in food service in that bacterial pathogens can be transmitted from contaminated hands. For example, if an employee was handling raw hamburger and contaminated their hands with the blood juices and then prepared a sandwich without intervening hand washing, they could conceivably cross-contaminate that sandwich with E. Coli bacteria.

There are a myriad of possible bacteria that can cause food-borne illnesses. A few examples are Staph food poisoning, Salmonellosis, Shigellosis, and some of the emerging pathogens, E-Coli 0157:H7, Campylobacter, and Norwalk Virus. Hepatitis A is the most costly disease to the food service industry and not washing hands properly is the single most important cause that leads to infection.

The realization by an educated public that hand washing is not only smart, but also a necessity, will help in the prevention of food-borne illness not only in a restaurant, but also in the home.

The following tips should help everyone learn proper hand washing procedures.

This is how you should wash your hands:

• Rub your hands together vigorously for at least 20 seconds using warm running water and soap. Make sure you have lots of bubbles.

• Wash under fingernails, between fingers, back of hands and wrists.

• Rinse your hands well under running water, holding them so water runs down and not up your arms.

• Dry your hands with a single-use paper towel or hot air blow dryer.

• If your towel dispenser has a handle, be sure to roll the paper down before you wash your hands. This helps to insure that you will not pick up new germs from the handle.

• For hand-held faucets, turn off water using a paper towel instead of bare hands, so you will not pick up new germs from the handle. You may want to open the bathroom door with the same paper towel and then throw it away.

Next week, rules for hand washing in the home will be featured in Healthline.

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YOUR HOROSCOPE

Forecast For: Jan. 29 - Feb. 4, 1995

- ARIES**
March 21-April 19
A decision made regarding family life will not be met with enthusiasm. Use your best judgment in handling the conflicts.
- TAURUS**
April 20-May 20
This is not a good time to become involved in a real estate deal. Wait until Spring before making any decisions.
- GEMINI**
May 21-June 20
Take the time to recuperate from the holidays. Plan some quality R&R. Leave the kids at home.
- CANCER**
June 21-July 22
Gradual improvements are noticed in the workplace. Your influence is being felt by coworkers and noticed by VIP's.
- LEO**
July 23-Aug 22
Don't overlook even the smallest health problem. Make an appointment immediately to have it resolved.
- VIRGO**
Aug 23-Sept 22
With the lessening of career pressures, you can devote more time to romance. Give love a chance.
- LIBRA**
Sept 23-Oct 22
Do something nice for yourself. Indulge your appetite for adventure and go for the gold!
- SCORPIO**
Oct 23-Nov 21
An "offer you can't refuse" will be made. You may be wise to turn it down. Something too good to be true usually is.
- SAGITTARIUS**
Nov 22-Dec 21
Don't be deceived into thinking that you have reached your goal. There is still more work ahead.
- CAPRICORN**
Dec 22-Jan 19
A sound personal relationship is a most rewarding experience. Savor the feeling of being loved. Open your heart to others.
- AQUARIUS**
Jan 20-Feb 18
Take an inventory of personal documents. Update those that have become obsolete. Review wills and insurance policies.
- PISCES**
Feb 19-March 20
Take advantage of any opportunity to further your education. You can never learn too much.



PUPPIES NEED HOMES--These 7-week-old puppies should grow up to be small dogs. There are also several small adult, housebroken dogs at the animal shelter right now. If you would like to give any of them a home, stop by the Animal Shelter of Crawford County, or give them a call at 348-4117.

PET CARE TIPS

If your dog's foot pads are dry and cracked, try rubbing petroleum jelly on them.

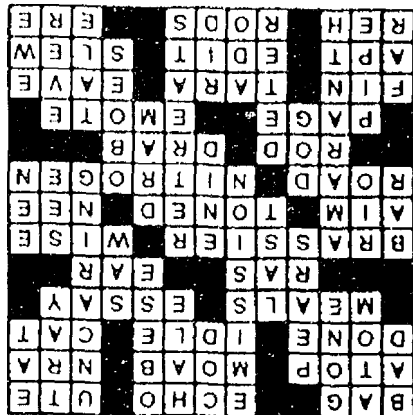
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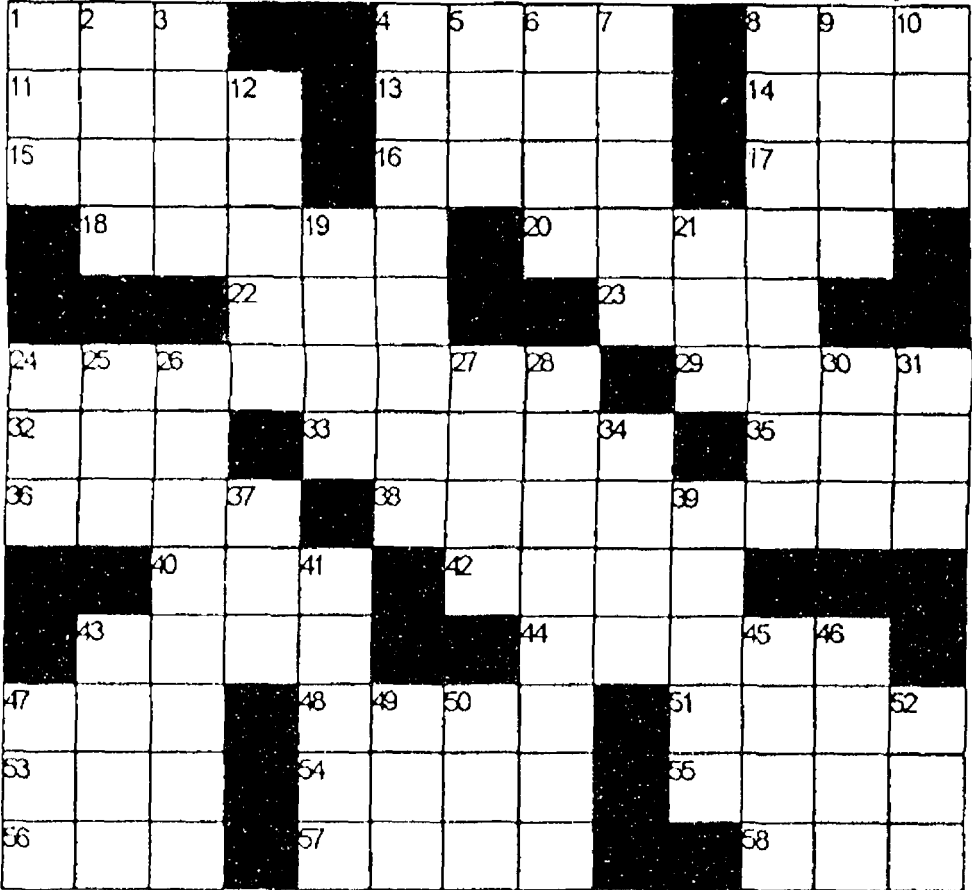
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9. Salver
10. Erode
12. Fruit, pl.
19. Final
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24. Prevent

THIS WEEK'S PUZZLE ANSWERS



25. River, sp.
26. Herb with colorful flowers
27. Woman's name
28. Withdraws
30. Bishop's seat
31. Even
34. One-eighth Troy ounce
37. Hound
39. Reed instrument, pl.
41. Avert
43. Smoking tool
45. Story
46. Always
47. Distant
49. Commotion
50. Eliminate
52. Female sheep



A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 years ago
Jan. 27, 1972

William Valusek, Grayling city manager, told the Avalanche Tuesday, that he would tender his resignation to the council at their regular meeting next Monday evening, Jan. 31, to be effective Feb. 21, 1972.

Mr. Valusek has accepted the position of city administrator at Southgate, a city of 30,000 located in Wayne County.

Mrs. Lewis Konvicka has received notification that a question she submitted has been selected to appear in Dr. Adler's column, "Great Ideas from the Great Books". The tentative date for the publication is Jan. 30, and the column appears in the Bay City Times.

Because her question was selected, Mrs. Konvicka will receive Britannica's Great Books of the Western World.

On the weekend of the 15th, Gene Kaiser and members of his bowling team left for Atchison Lake, 15 miles north of the Canadian Soo, on a tip-up fishing trip. Their plans for snowmobiling had to be cancelled and they took the train to the lake. They experienced severe weather of 38 below all the time they were there.

Dan Darling has moved to Portland to reside, after having spent the past month or so with his parents, the Leroy Darlings.

Gail Hunter is now doing her student teaching in special education in the Flint area school system. Gail is a senior at Michigan State.

Mrs. Al Harland returned home after spending about a week in Alberta, Canada, visiting her son, Gary, who is attending the University of Alberta, working on his bachelor of science. She flew up and said she enjoyed the 50 some degrees below zero weather they had up there.

An open house was held at the American Legion Hall Sunday, Jan. 16, from 1 to 4 o'clock, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tinker's 50th wedding anniversary. The affair was hosted by their eight children, James, Letha, Bernice, Elaine, Vera, Kay, Martin and Danny.

Following the open house, the immediate family gathered at the Tinker home to enjoy a birthday cake in celebration of Mr. Tinker's 74th birthday.

Lt. Governor James H. Brickley, Tuesday, announced the appointment of Richard K. Nelson as deputy administrator of the Office of Criminal Justice Programs.

Mr. Nelson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Nelson of Lake Margreth.

and is a graduate of Grayling High School.

46 years ago
Jan. 27, 1949

Fastest growing brook trout, according to a survey completed by the institute for fisheries research, of the Conservation Department, are to be found in the East Fish Lake, Montmorency County, Lake Superior, North Branch of the AuSable River, Crawford County; and in the Pine River, Lake County.

Joseph Southwick, former superintendent of the State Fish Hatchery at Harrisville, who was appointed as superintendent of the Grayling Fish Hatchery, following the elevation of Hans Peterson to district fisheries manager for Districts 7 and 9, has moved his family to Grayling and is now a permanent resident.

A West Virginia train engineer clocked a whitetail deer, running beside the engine cab for a mile, at 40 miles per hour. A fence obstruction near Hinton ended the race.

Little Freddie Allen is much improved, he has had scarlet fever. He is the son of the Kenneth Allens.

Bruce and Glenna Welch have scarlet fever. They are the children of the Chuck Welchs.

At a dinner dance last week Wednesday, held at the Shoppenagons Inn by the Kiwanis Club of Grayling, the club's first president, Dr. C. G. Clippert, and a member of the long-standing, Postmaster James McDonnell, were honored by receiving the club's annual Flowers to the Living Award.

Mrs. Gladys Corwin was entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clare Patch, Thursday evening. The occasion being her birthday.

A luncheon was hosted by Mrs. Carl W. Johnson on Friday at her home. The party was to honor Mrs. Esbern Hanson and Mrs. Clayton Purdy. The ladies spent the afternoon sewing.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Johnston (Betty Brown) are happy over the birth of a daughter, Karen Sue, born Jan. 18, at Mercy Hospital. Mrs. C. R. Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Johnston are the grandparents.

Patsy Wiseman, daughter of Wilfred Wiseman, is recovering nicely from an attack of virus pneumonia at the Jens Ziebell home. She was dismissed from Mercy Hospital the last of the week.

Overnight guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Papendick last week were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Schomen of

Menominee, and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Papendick of Ashley.

Mrs. Leo Jorgenson entertained seven ladies Friday afternoon at a dessert luncheon. Bridge followed with Mrs. Carl Richardson and Mrs. Harold Rasmussen holding the winning scores.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Huntington of Eaton Rapids, spent the weekend with their daughter, Mrs. Bill Joseph and family, before leaving for Florida this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Moore of Black Lake, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Giles and son, Michael, of Hazel Park, were Sunday visitors at the Edgar Caid home.

Mrs. Fred Catlin of Toledo, is spending several days this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ziebell.

69 years ago
Jan. 25, 1926

Miss Helen Granger had the misfortune to dislocate her right shoulder Saturday night while tobogganing at Collen's Hill.

Herman Schreiber, formerly of Grayling, has recently been honored by having the degree of Bachelor of Laws conferred upon him by the American Extension University of Law. Mr. Schreiber is a graduate of Ferris Institute and Valparaiso University. At the present time he has charge of the commercial work at Bliss Business College, North Adams, MA.

The old landmark, the "New Russell" Hotel has been sold to Hans R. Nelson, and this week is being torn down. In its place, Mr. Nelson says he will construct a modern auto service station, complete in all branches.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter L. Brown are happy as their son, Victor, and daughter, Miss Lorlene, arrived in the city Monday from Oakland, CA. Victor was born in Grayling and graduated from Grayling High School, leaving some time later for the west and it is 13 years since his last visit home.

Clyde Hum of Cleveland, OH, a former Grayling boy who represents the Jaeger Portable Power Corporation, is in the city for a few days, demonstrating the new "Fyr-Foe," a fire fighting apparatus attached to a Ford roadster.

Mercy Hospital, Grayling, is one of the first to install a beautiful safety gas machine for the purpose of administering the new Ethylene gas that was studied and perfected by Arno B. Luckhardt, Ph.D., M.D., of the University of Chicago. The new

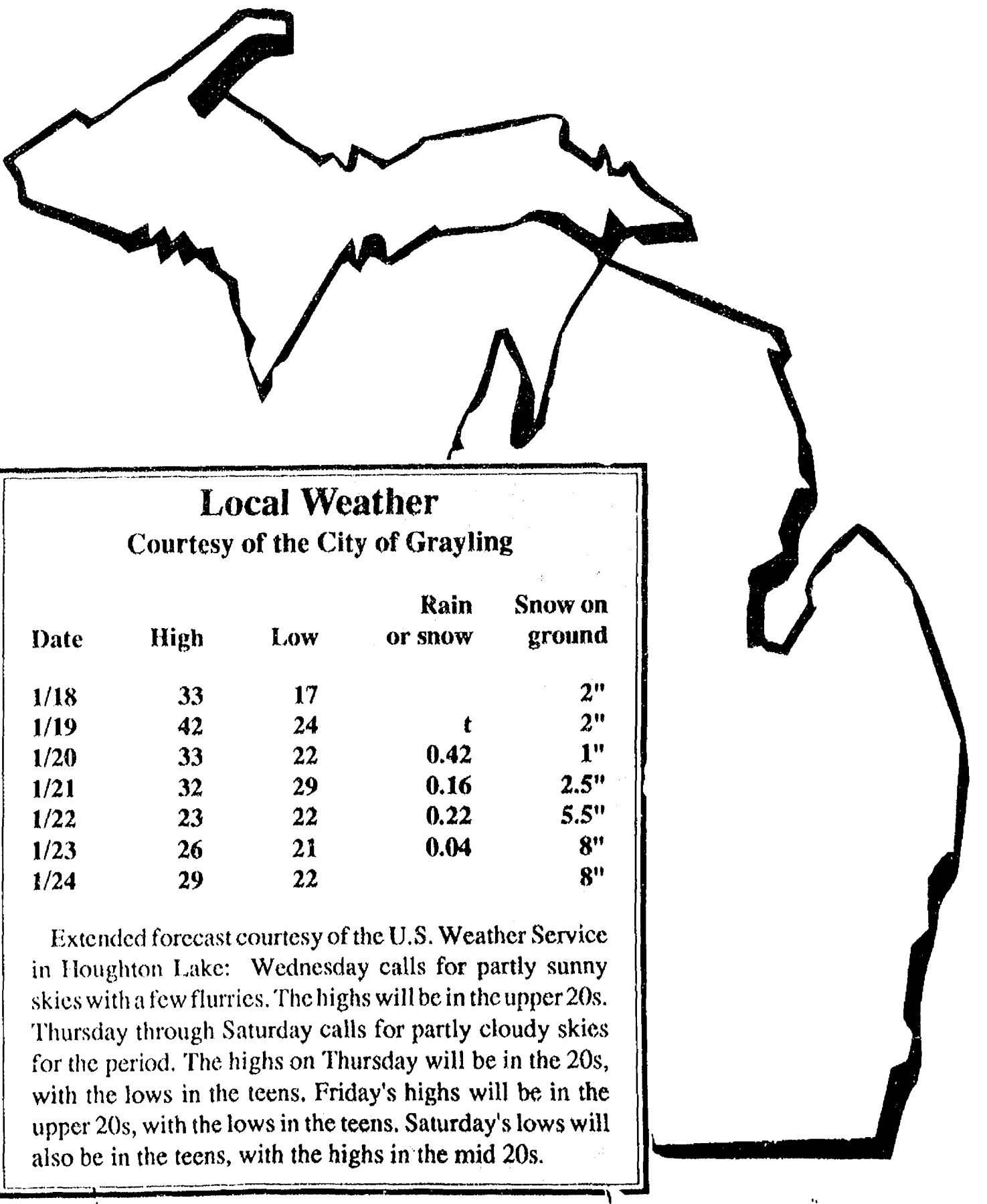
machine was donated by Rasmus Hanson and it is very much appreciated by the hospital staff.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bennett are happy over the arrival of a son, Jan. 19. The little boy has been named Erwin Robert.

Although Patricia Eleanore is now three weeks old, news of her arrival at the home of Dr. and Mrs. H. H. Pool of Ann Arbor, on Feb. 3, will be of interest to Grayling friends.

Harry E. Simpson has purchased the Reinhardt Auto Co., Garage at Monroe and will take possession some time this week.

A new cement floor is being laid in the county road commission barn on Cedar Street. The work is being done by William Moshier.



Local Weather
Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Date	High	Low	Rain or snow	Snow on ground
1/18	33	17		2"
1/19	42	24	t	2"
1/20	33	22	0.42	1"
1/21	32	29	0.16	2.5"
1/22	23	22	0.22	5.5"
1/23	26	21	0.04	8"
1/24	29	22		8"

Extended forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Houghton Lake: Wednesday calls for partly sunny skies with a few flurries. The highs will be in the upper 20s. Thursday through Saturday calls for partly cloudy skies for the period. The highs on Thursday will be in the 20s, with the lows in the teens. Friday's highs will be in the upper 20s, with the lows in the teens. Saturday's lows will also be in the teens, with the highs in the mid 20s.



BOOSTER CLUB SUPPORTS FREE SKI PROGRAM--Irving McIsaac (right), past president of the Grayling Youth Booster Club, is shown here giving a check in the amount of \$2,000 to Dan Wyers, director of the Grayling Recreation Authority, from the Grayling Youth Booster Club, in support of the 4th and 5th grade free skiing program offered at Hanson Hills Recreation Area. This year, there are over 163 children participating in the program. The program is sponsored by the Grayling Recreation Authority, the Grayling Youth Booster Club and the Crawford AuSable School District. The Grayling Youth Booster Club has given over \$50,000 to the Grayling Recreation Authority in support of youth programs and activities.

Health Dept. sets clinics

District Health Department No. 1 has scheduled the following clinics at the Grayling office. Appointments are recommended or required for all clinics. Call 348-7800 for information on these clinics and the Environmental Health Services.

Call for an appointment.
Immunization Clinic: Feb. 1.
Family Planning (New Clients Day): Feb. 8 and 22.
Medicaid Screening: Feb. 6, 8, 13 and 14.
Premarital Class and Optional/Confidential HIV/AIDS testing: Feb. 21.
WIC, Supplemental Food Program for pregnant women, infants and children: Feb. 8, 9, 15, 16, 17, 22 and 23.

WIC Program, Frederic Clinic (held at the public library): Feb. 10, call 348-7800 for appointment.

Maternal Support Service for Pregnant Women: Call for information any day.

Local woman earns masters degree

Carol Finke of Grayling, was a December 1994 graduate of Iowa State University. Finke earned a master of arts degree in English.

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

By Jan Farley

Special thought for the week: It's very doubtful whether the meek would like to inherit the earth at present.

Can you believe this weather? The Sno-birds didn't have to leave so early!

Beginning February first, our bookkeeper will be available to help seniors file only the Homestead Property Tax forms, Home Heating Credit and Prescription Drug Credit forms. She will not be able to help file personal income taxes. Call for an appointment, 348-7123, and ask for Mary.

Remember the "Big Picture" on Monday at the movies, 5:30 p.m.

Jan. 30-*Death Becomes Her*, with Goldie Hawn and Meryl Streep.

Feb. 6-*Maverick*, new version.

Feb. 13-*Casablanca*, old classic with Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman.

Feb. 20-*The Tracker*, with Kris

Kristofferson.

Feb. 27-*The Money Pit*, with Tom Hanks and Shelly Long.

Mark your calendars and come on in!

Come and eat at the center. The meals are tasty, well balanced, and you don't have to do the dishes. Any senior, or spouse, in Crawford County, that is 60 or older is welcome, and bring your friends and family. The suggested donation is \$1.50 for seniors and a \$2.50 charge for those under 60.

Please take note! Reservations are asked, because it is important to know how much food to prepare. Meals are served at noon and 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday and at noon only on Fridays. We can always take a few walk-ins, but for the most part -- try and call ahead. Menus are subject to change.

Lunch/Dinner:

Jan. 25-Veal Birds/Italian Round Steak;

Jan. 26-Tuna & Noodles/Turkey & Dressing;

Jan. 27-Beef Stew;

Jan. 30-Stuffed Peppers/Chicken Ala King;

Jan. 31-Chopped Sirloin/Roast Pork;

Feb. 1-Brown Steak/Spanish Rice;

Feb. 2-Porcupine Meatballs/BBQ Beef;

Feb. 3-Swiss Steak.

Coming Events

Mark your calendars for:

Jan. 25- Hangman game at 5:30 p.m.

Jan. 26-BPs and Blood Sugars taken from 11 a.m. to noon.

Jan. 30-5:30 p.m., movie, *Death Becomes Her* with Goldie Hawn and Meryl Streep.

Jan. 31-"PJ" party and dance with Tina at 5:30 p.m., dance in your jammies and slippers!

The AVALANCHE for all your hometown news

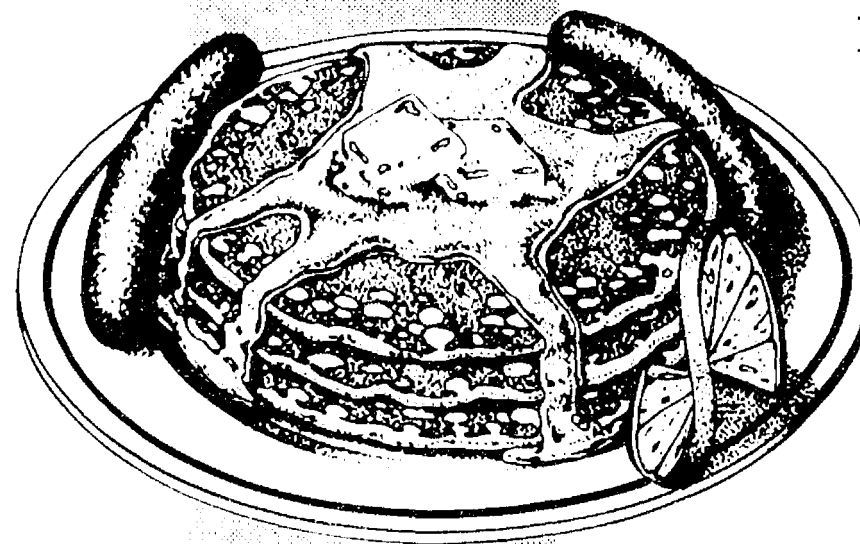
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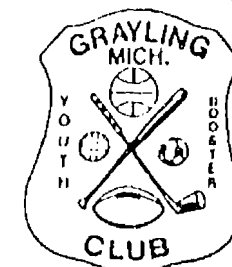
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BITS OF TALK

By Fay Bovee

David Cook and Marguerite Dennewett were married on Jan. 20, 1934 in Grayling, and on the occasion of their 61st wedding anniversary last Friday, their daughter, Jeannette and husband, Newt Allison, took them out to dinner. Marguerite was born in Cheboygan, to the late Henry and Emma Dennewett and David was born in Hastings, to the late William and Carrie Cook. Marguerite has been a resident of Grayling for 78 years and David for 61 years. He retired from the Crawford County Road Commission in 1972. The Cooks have seven children, Jeannette Allison, Judith Gray, Joyce Goudie, all of Grayling, Richard Cook of Mt. Clemens, Ella MacCrack of Marshall, and Elizabeth Foster of Katy, TX. One

son, Kenneth Cook, died in 1992.

Martu Nowak has again received word of the death of another member of Walt's family. Charles Fox, 82, of Alpena, died on Jan. 18, 1995 and funeral services were held in Alpena on Saturday, Jan. 21. Surviving is his widow, Lillian (nee Nowak).

Don and Dorothy Sorenson returned home the first week of January, after having spent since the latter part of November with their daughter and family, Marie and Mark Howe and boys, Ian and Andrew, of Monroe, WA. Marie had surgery and they went out to help with the family, as well as celebrating Ian's ninth birthday on Dec. 15, Andrew's third birthday on Nov. 30, and spending the holidays with them.

Sherrill Thayer of the Grayling High School class of 1971, and daughter of Arthur Thayer, received her master's degree in nursing in June and has relocated to Monroe, WI, from Groveland, MA.

Arthritis Foundation announces helpline

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Original AuSable River Dixieland Band headlines tour of St. Lucia

By Terry Wright
 News Editor

Dixieland "tramp" jazz will be moving in on traditional calypso style music on the Caribbean island of St. Lucia this week, when members of the Grayling based Original AuSable River Dixieland Band invade that country. The seven-member band has been booked to lead the entertainment in a week long celebration to raise money for lower class children. St. Lucia is a tiny independent



BOUND FOR THE TROPICS--The Original AuSable River Dixieland Band. (Back l. to R) Gary Beckwith, Marty VanDeVen and Janet Dice. (Front l. to R) Gary Cruse, Tim Taylor, Roy Barnosky and Howard Taylor.

island country, one-half the size of Crawford County, in the British West Indies. For hundreds of years its economy has been based on growing bananas. In the last few years, the island has been considered a tropical rain-forest paradise for sun-seeking vacationers. Resort hotels have sprung up beckoning to American tourists

eager to escape the northern climes. As part of the British Commonwealth, St. Lucia has been influenced by British colonialization, and all St. Lucians speak English, as well as a French/Creole combination known as "Patois." Most native St. Lucians belong to the poor, but well educated and well cared for lower class. The upper class has mostly wealthy, white landowners. One way the native children are cared for is through the "save the children," fund, which provides vaccinations and various other medical benefits to native children. It is that fund which the Original AuSable River Dixieland Band will be playing for in a series of concerts.

"I was there on vacation last year," said band leader Howard Taylor. "I was talking to the people that ran the hotel about the band before you know it we had a job."

The band is growing accustomed to playing in strange places. Taylor said they have played in the woods, on the banks of the AuSable River, on a ferry in the middle of Lake Michigan, on a pontoon in the middle of Lake Margrethe and in parking lots. They have also played in many traditional settings and can be found entertaining diners and dancers throughout northern Michigan almost any time of the year.

"We always play in the AuSable River Festival parade," Taylor said. "One year we were the only band in the parade. Another year we were in the parade twice. We led off the parade and finished just as the tail end was getting started, so we got back in line and did it again."

Taylor said the band was formed in 1976, and through the years a few players have come and gone.

"We were a bunch of guys looking for a form of recreation. We were sick of bowling and conventional stuff," he said.

Today the band members are Taylor, who plays the trumpet; Marty VanDeVen, the only other original member, who plays the banjo; Roy Barnosky on clarinet, Janet Dice on piano, Tim (the trombone man) Taylor; Larry Cruse on drums, and Gary Beckwith, who plays the tuba.

The band members and their spouses will leave Grayling on Saturday, Jan. 28, arriving in St. Lucia later that same day. They will have a very busy schedule, performing every day in a different place.

"This won't be a relaxation vacation," Taylor said. "We'll have to do that another time. This time we'll be working."

The save the children celebration is an annual week-long festival throughout the island, Taylor said.

"We're the lead band this year," he said, "but there will be lots of other entertainment also. This is a big thing and everyone takes part."

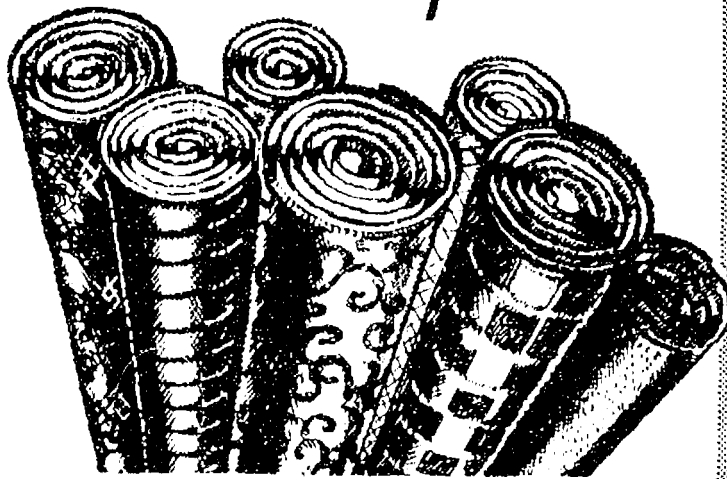
At one outdoor concert in a St. Lucian national park, the band will present their own donation to the save the children fund. Members have been collecting tips for a year from all their performances and will present almost \$500 to the charity.

"We have looked forward to this trip for a long time," Taylor said. "We're awed by it. The closer it comes, the higher the band gets. We're higher than a kite."

Taylor said if this trip is successful, a return engagement may be possible next year.

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GRAYLING WINTER SPORTS WEEK SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SATURDAY, January 28

WINTER WOLF CHALLENGE

Kayak Event

Race will begin in front of Ray's Canoe Livery, head downstream, turn around at the buoy for a looped course. Staggered starts. Junior 10 am, Classic 11 am, Masters 12 noon
Ray's Canoe Livery

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SUNDAY, January 29

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Hanson Hills Recreation Area

WINTER WOLF CHALLENGE Nordic Ski Event

The second leg of the challenge begins with a mass start through hilly terrain. Course will follow the Red, Yellow, Blue, then finish with the Brown trail at Hanson Hills. Free-style race, distance - 5K. Junior 1 pm, Classic 11:30 am, Masters 10:45 am
Hanson Hills

Snowshoe Event

The third leg of the challenge begins with a mass start through hilly terrain following a looped course starting and finishing near the cross-country warming house at Hanson Hills Recreation Area. Distance - 3K. Junior 2 pm, Classic 1:45 pm, Masters 1:30 pm
Hanson Hills

WQON Chili Cookoff

Local restaurants compete to see who has the best pot of Chili. The public is invited to join the fun as judges. 1-3 pm
Hanson Hills

Awards Ceremony - Raffle Drawings

Presentation of awards for the Winter Wolf Challenge. Winter Wolf Challenge Raffle drawings will also take place. 3 pm
Hanson Hills

By Linda Denton
Staff Writer

After a long, action-packed day, Jaymie Corlew was named the 1995 Grayling Junior Miss.

Grayling's Junior Miss isn't chosen on the basis of beauty and popularity, although she may be both. The program emphasizes intelligence, fitness and maturity.

The competition doesn't begin at 7 p.m., which is when the 1995 Grayling Junior Miss program began. The day began at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 21, when the girls met the judges. The girls had already been competing and evaluated before anyone even stepped on stage Saturday night. In fact, one could say the girls had been competing for almost three years.

No, that isn't a typo. Scholastic achievement is 20 percent of their evaluation, including their class ranking and any honors or awards they have received. The scholastic achievement of the girls since their freshman year of high school is considered. Each of the girls had to write an essay outlining their personal education and professional goals, how they plan to achieve them and how their personal values have helped shape their goals. Bridget Black won the scholastic achievement award and a \$50 savings bond.

On Saturday, the judges interviewed the girls individually. The interviews lasted until 4 p.m., with the program starting in just three hours. The girls were evaluated on perception, personality, values, knowledge, relationships and communication. The interview counted for 30 percent of the overall competition.

When all 17 contestants stepped on stage, Saturday night, half of the competition was already over. That night the girls were evaluated on creative and performing arts, 20 percent, poise and appearance, 15 percent, and physical fitness, 15 percent.

The program wasn't easy for the girls, who worked out on stage, including push ups, leg lifts and sit ups to show that they are physically fit. The girls performed a workout routine choreographed by Cathy Hchir, a certified Jazzercise instructor. Jaymie Corlew, 1995 Grayling Junior Miss won the fitness award.

Mental fitness is just as important as physical fitness for the new Grayling Junior Miss. The girls had to answer a surprise question during the evening gown competition. The questions weren't easy, but the girls proved they could think fast. Questions such as, "If \$1 can buy anything, what would you buy and where would you buy it?" and "What's your favorite type of food and how are you like it?" failed to



AND THE WINNER IS -- JAYMIE CORLEW -- Grayling Junior Miss contestants (L to R) Kelly Stockwell, Jaymie Corlew, Brooke Blaauw and Jennifer Wejrowski react to the announcement that Jaymie Corlew is the 1995 Grayling Junior Miss. Brooke Blaauw is the first runner-up.



THE LAST WALK -- 1994 Sarah Woodland is escorted by her parents, Rob and Judy Woodland, to center stage where Sarah took her final walk as the reigning Grayling Junior Miss.

stump the girls. Corlew, 1995 Grayling Junior Miss, won the evening gown award.

The talent of these young girls was also showcased. Many of the contestants even wrote their own skits. Brooke Blaauw won the talent award, with a self-written athletic skit called, "My Field of Dreams." Blaauw made sure the audience was on their toes as she served a Nerf ball into the middle of the audience.

Jamie Evans won the spirit award and Brooke Blaauw won the people's choice award. Every contestant received a \$250 Kirtland Community College Scholarship, including Mary Beth Blaine who was unable to compete due to a serious leg injury a short time before the program.

Sarah Amman was second runner-up and Brooke Blaauw was first runner-up.

Corlew received a \$1,000 scholarship, Blaauw received a \$500 scholarship, and Amman received a \$250 scholarship.

This is the sixth year that the Grayling Chapter of the American Business Women's Association has sponsored the Grayling Junior Miss Scholarship Program. ABWA is a national organization whose sole purpose is providing scholarships. All proceeds from this program are returned to ABWA's Scholarship Fund to be used to further education of young women. Last year ABWA donated over \$5,000 in scholarships locally.



CLEOPATRA -- Sarah Amman, second runner-up, did a dramatic interpretation from Anthony and Cleopatra for her performing arts competition.

Dream catchers



We made "dream catchers" and "worry dolls" in Mrs. Wiltse's 4th grade class. We learned about dream catchers by studying the Cherokee Indians. They would put one up and it would trap the bad dreams. The worry dolls came from the Hopi Indians. They would put the dolls under their bedding and their worries would go away.

By Ashley Longendyke

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High Game: C. Cain, 208, C. Curtis, 200, B. Wheeler, 192. High Series: C. Curtis, 523, B. Wheeler, 502, C. Cain, 500.

Pioneer League

M & M Crafts
Avalanche
Eagles Auxiliary

Aunt Betty's

12-4 Millikins
10-6 Chemical Bank
8-8 Mercy Hospital
8-8 Custom Interior
8-8 High Game: D. Anthony, 202, S. Parker, 192, M. Bartel, 190. High Series: J. Hinds, 514, D. Anthony, 510, S. Parker, 487.

Thursday Morning Coffee League

Hardees
Wakeley's Golden Girls
Legion Lanes
Buccelli's
7-1 Statewide
6-2 AuSable Construction
5-3 Lone Pine Inn

Spikes

4-4 High Game: S. Romain, 214, B. Helsel, 209, C. Weaver, 198. High Series: S. Romain, 537, C. Weaver, 483, S. France, 458.

Friday Night Mixed Doubles

Aunt Betty's
Pizza Hut
A. H. Rental & Repair
Moshier's Auto
Wakeley Builders
Advance Collision
Main Stream Realty
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8 Men's High Game: D. Dehart, 191, B. Trudeau, 190, M. Harris, 188. Men's High Series: D. Lozon, 509, J. Prosser, 498, M. Harris, 496.

Women's High Game

J. Hinds, 201, H. Pelton, 179, K. Lozon, 175. Women's High Series: K. Lozon, 523, J. Hinds, 513, K. Moshier, 471.

Senior Citizens Bowling League

Totten's Body Shop 48-28
Baynam's Forest Products 46-29.5
Sylvester's Sports 46-30
Larry & Joan's Place 42-34
Buccelli's Pizza 42-34
Flowers By Josie 31-45
Cornell Realty 27-54.5
Century 21 21-55
Men's High Game: E. Wilde, 198, L. Essiambre, 189, G. Wolfe, 188. Men's High Series: E. Wilde, 554, L. Essiambre, 525, G. Wolfe, 519.

Women's High Game: A. Kuzsak, 219, D. Mead, 176, D. Burrick, 173. Women's High Series: A. Kuzsak, 529, D. Mead, 504, D. Burrick, 465.

National League

Frederic Inn 13-3
Moore's Automotive 12-4
Spikes 11-5
Budweiser 8-8
Carquest 7-9
Sutiles 5-11
Guns & Grub 5-11
Georgia Pacific Resin 3-13
High Game: T. Sheldon, 205, 201, G. Wolfe, 202, T. Kotrash, D. Henning, 199. High Series: T. Sheldon, 584, M. D'Amour, 567, S. Moon, 546.

American Men's League

Northland Appliance 13-8
Upper Lakes 13-8
McLean's 12-9
Grayling RV 12-9
Swamp II 12-9
Stitches by Sue 10-11
Red Barn 8-13
Auto Value Center 4-17
High Game: D. Canfield, 248, T. Sheldon, 212, G. Fenion, 209. High Series: P. Nunn, 571, D. Canfield, 566, D. Metzger, 555.

Northwood League

Helsel Bros. 15
Richt Cycle 14
Burger King 10
Goodale's Bakery 10
Subway 9
Econo Cuts 8
Patti's Towne House 7
Stitch-in-Time 7
High Game: S. France, D. Smith, 185, W. Millikin, 183, S. Hamey, T. Raybould, 182. High Series: S. France, 517, M. Miller, 488, W. Millikin, 465.

Sunday Fun League

Legion Lanes 39-5
Deb & Dale's 37-5
Helsel Bros. 36
Helsel's #2 35
Cedar Motel 28
No Fear 23
Roshy Construction 23
Dominators 22
Men's High Game: T. Messerschmidt, 200, L. Baker, 195, B. Palmer, 192. Men's High Series: B. Palmer, 524, L. Baker, 507, J. Helsel, 506.
Women's High Game: J. Tanski, 202, K. Moshier, 183, C. Pfaff, 177. Women's High Series: J. Tanski, 514, C. Pfaff, 489, K. Moshier, 469.

Triangle League

Grayling Ford 15-5
Helsel's 13-7
Jackson Trio 12-5.75
J.J.'s Motor Mall 12-8
Darrell's Roofing 11-9
Barber Const. 7.5-12.5
Roshy Const. 7-13
Rochette's IGA 2-18
High Game: A. Angove, 215, M. Barr, 213, R. Case, 210. High Series: M. Barr, 575, R. Case, 572, A. Angove, 562.

Saturday Morning The Teen League

1-14-95
Road Runners 19-9
Outlaws 17-11
Explorers 15-13
Majestics 13-15
Wild Things 13-15
Challengers 13-15
Voyagers 12-16
Shadows 11-17
Boy's High Game: D. J. Canfield, 192. Boy's High Series: D. J. Canfield, 450. Girl's High Game: D. Harris, 144. Girl's High Series: N. Strohpaal, 381.

The Nature League

Cyclones 16-5
Earth Quakes 12-5.85
Hurricanes 11-10
Heat Waves 11-10
Typhoons 10-11
Hailers 10-11
Blizzards 7.5-13.5
Tornadoes 6-15
Boy's High Game: M. Thomas, 108. Boy's High Series: M. Thomas, 189. Girl's High Game: D. Mathey, 94. Girl's High Series: D. Mathey, 157.

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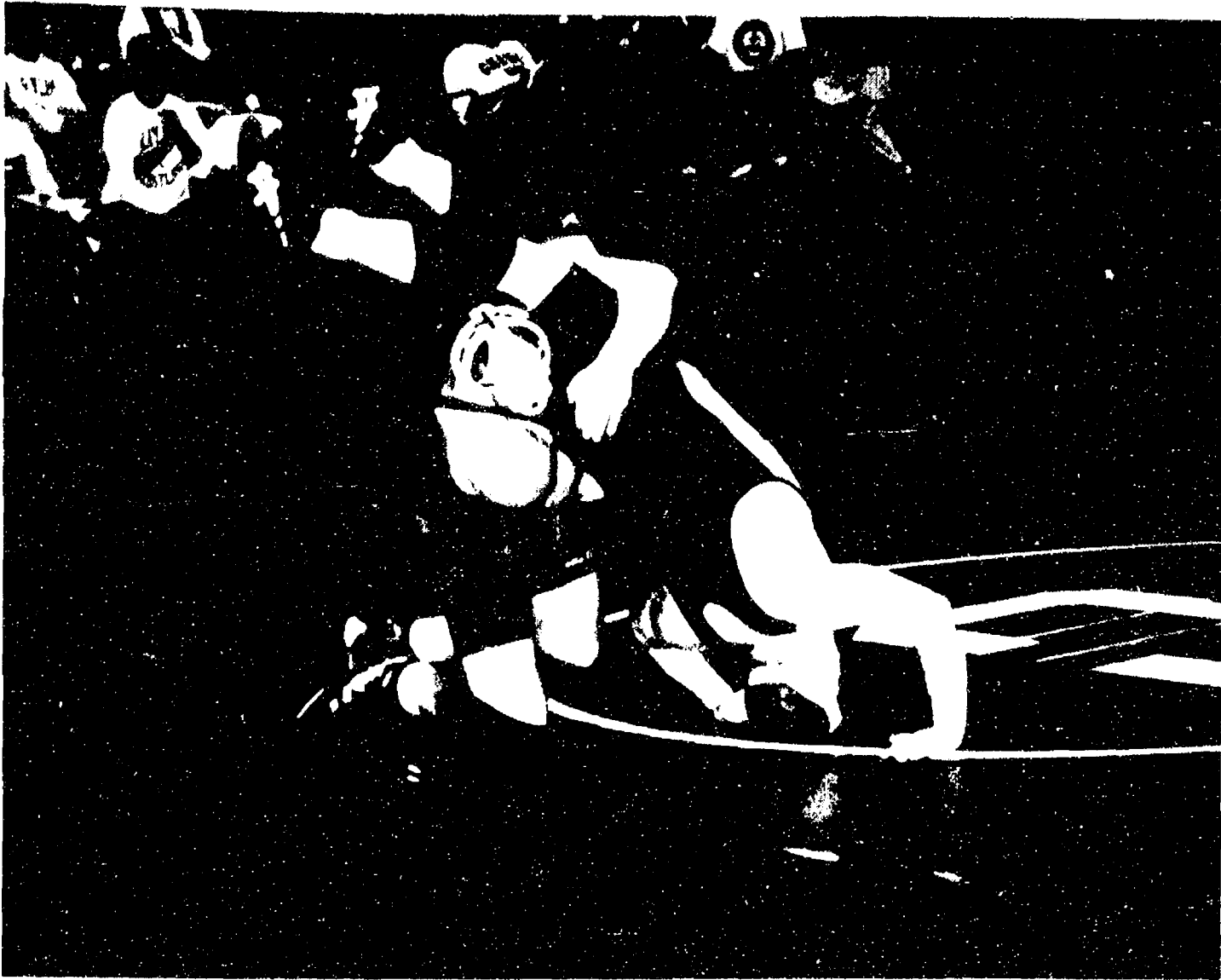


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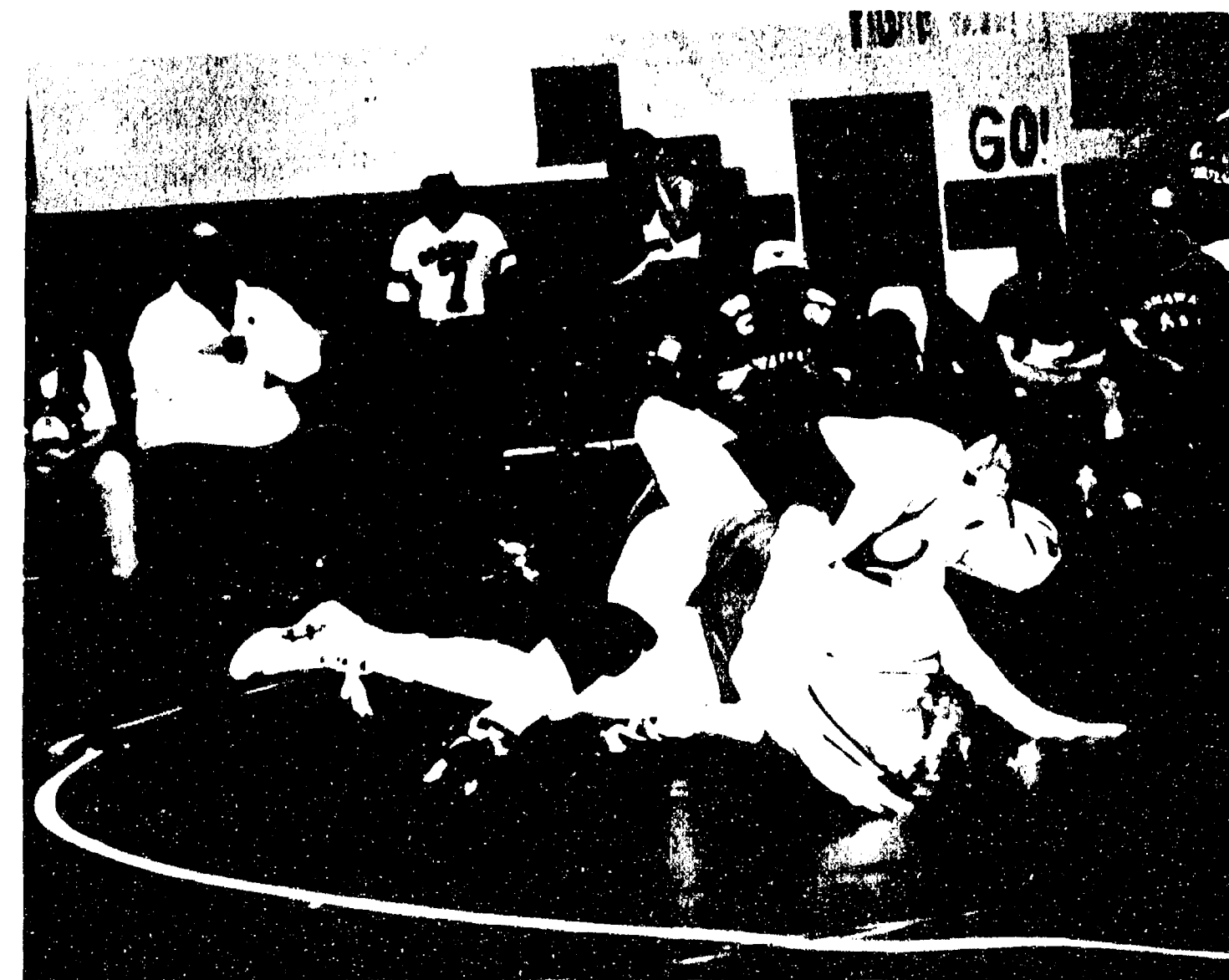
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Viking wrestlers dominate northern Michigan class-B



I THINK I'LL SLAMDUNK YOUR HEAD INTO THE GROUND--At 215 pounds, Viking junior Dale Kniss has dominated his weight class in wrestling competition. Kniss has built a 24-1 record en route to being ranked as the top wrestler in northern Michigan class-B competition. Kniss is a potential state champion. In this photo, Kniss punishes his Charlevoix opponent prior to taking the medal.



ANOTHER ONE BITES THE DUST--Viking sophomore Jason Hall, 134 pounds, throws his Charlevoix opponent to the mat. Hall is one of Viking Coach Don Ferguson's promising young wrestlers who could have a shot at state honors in another year or two. Hall went on to win this match.

By Terry Wright
News Editor

Coach Don Ferguson's Viking wrestling squad rolled over opponents from Charlevoix and Onaway on Thursday, Jan. 19.

Winning two matches were Danielle Dushane at 106 pounds, David Shepherd at 112, Tom Oberg at 119, Jason Hall at 134, Josh Taylor at 142, Will Miller at 160, Dale Kniss at 215 and heavyweight Andy Langowski.

Winning one match each were Dana Beckwith at 100 pounds and Josh Colby at 185 pounds.

On Saturday, Jan. 21 the Vikings

traveled to Ithaca for a 16-team tournament against schools of all sizes.

Grayling finished a respectable fifth behind downstate powers Thornapple, Kellogg, Burton Bendle, St. Louis and St. Charles.

The crowning achievement for the Vikings was the champions medal awarded to junior Dale Kniss in the 215-pound weight class. Kniss breezed through the competition undefeated.

Kniss, with a record of 24 victories versus just one loss, is currently rated as the top 215-pound wrestler in northern Michigan among class-B schools.

Finishing in 4th place overall were

Beckwith, Shepherd, Oberg and Hall.

Will Miller, at 160 pounds finished the tournament in 6th place.

Other Vikings scoring team points were Dushane, Taylor, Lowell Bindshatell at 151, Mike Joseph at 172, and heavyweight Langowski.

On Wednesday, Jan. 25, the Vikings hosted non-conference teams from Kalkaska and Mancelona.

Skiers challenge Crystal Mt. slopes

With the end of semester exams, the thoughts of the Grayling High School ski team turned to the slopes. On Friday, Jan. 20, the Vikings traveled to Crystal Mountain to race against Glen Lake and Manistee.

When the snow had settled, Manistee topped the field of boys, scoring 21 team points to 72 points for Grayling and 83 points for Glen Lake.

Viking Ryan Schlehuber again led the Viking boys' team, placing 4th in slalom and 5th in giant-slalom out of a 18-racer field. Ben Labo scored in both races placing 6th and 9th. Travis Hopp finished 12th and 14th, Mike Hunter placed 11th and 15th, Pete Radzwion placed 15th and 13th, Nick Stancil placed 10th in slalom and Jason Steele finished 16th in giant-slalom.

The Viking girls' team finished behind Manistee and Glen Lake.

Erin Welke was the top Viking

girl, finishing 5th in slalom and 7th in giant-slalom. Jenni Jurkovich placed 13th and 11th, Brandy Noteware was 11th and 16th, Amy Martella placed 16th and 17th and Onna Ingvarsson placed 17th in slalom.

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Hunting & Fishing Weekly Update

WITH SOME FRESH SNOW AT LAST, the bobcat hunters are out trying to cut a fresh track to start their dogs on. We had one large one brought in this past weekend, it weighed in at 35 pounds. If you're not into dog hunting, you can always try calling one in with a predator call. This works well, although sometimes it takes a lot of calling to get one to come. Try around a swamp, the thicker the better, and be sure to camouflage yourself well. Don't forget, a fur-bearer license is required, and the season in this area runs through Feb. 16. The limit is one per season, and it must be tagged within five days at a DNR office.



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Viking hoopsters split with Petoskey, W-P

By Terry Wright
News Editor

The Grayling High School varsity basketball team went on the road last week, first to Petoskey where it was defeated by a tough Northmen squad, 88-61, then to Whittemore-Preseott where the Vikings fared better defeating the Cardinals by a 71-65 score.

The Vikings ran into a buzzsaw in Petoskey, as the Northmen outscored the Vikings in every quarter. Of 12 three-point shot attempts, the Petoskey

five connected on eight.

Senior Shane Hinkle led the Viking scoring attack, pumping in 23 points. He was followed by senior Ben Croze with 13, junior Joe Godlewski with 11, senior Chris Jones added eight points and 18 big assists, senior Scott Longendyke added three points, junior Chris Kucharek had two points and senior Brian Dunckley added one point.

The Grayling Viking junior varsity squad was defeated by the JV Northmen by a 53-43 score.

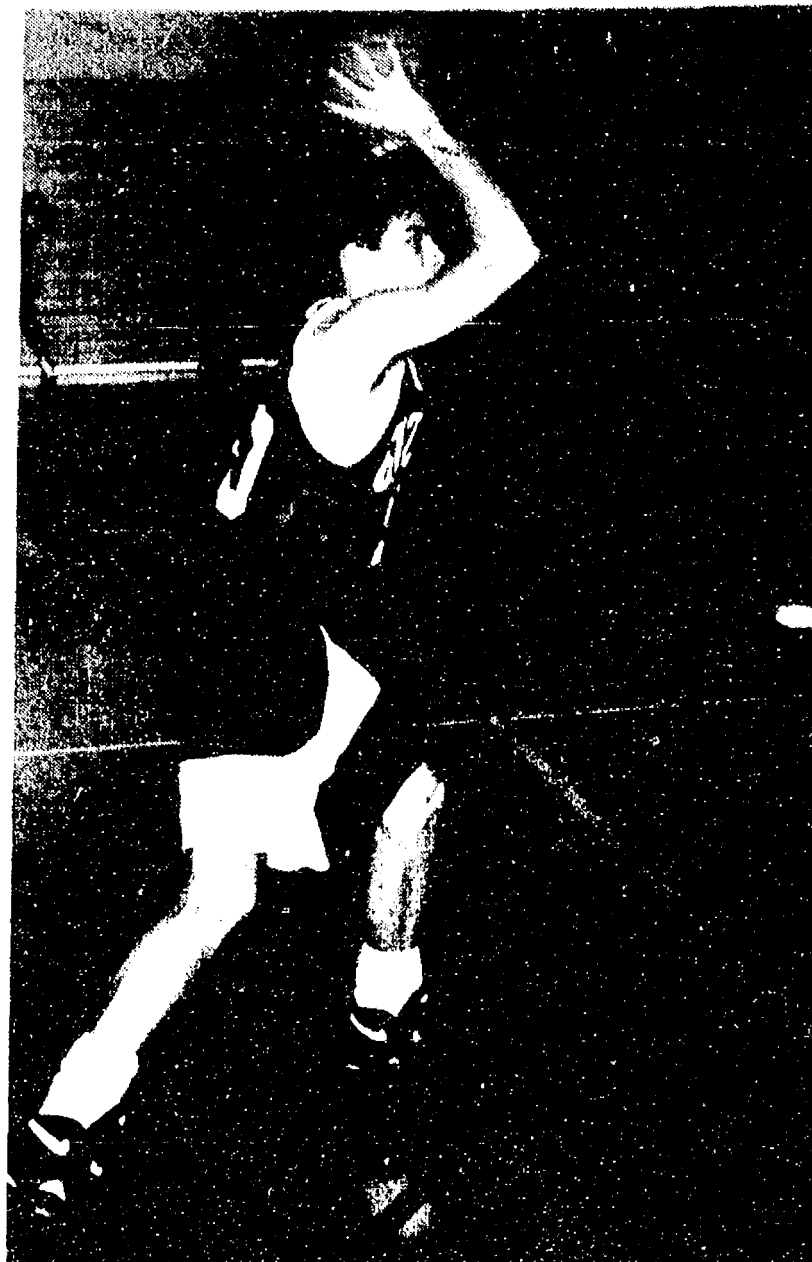
The leading scorers for the Vikings were Brad Larm, 11 points; David Sabin, Seth Madsen and Ed Baynham with six points each; Ben Haskel and Sam Modica, four points each; and Shane Youngblood and Mike Knight added two points apiece.

Versus Whittemore-Preseott, in a Huron Division rivalry, the varsity Vikings came away with the win, maintaining their perfect division record.

"Our kids really played hard," said Viking Coach Rich Moffit. "They showed their toughness down the stretch by connecting on 6-of-6 free throws in the last minute."

Hinkle again led the Vikes in scoring with 26 points. Croze and Longendyke added 14 apiece and Godlewski connected for six. Jason Thompson added two points.

On Tuesday, Jan. 24, the Vikings traveled to Roscommon to continue the long rivalry with the always-tough Bucks.



VIKING JUNIOR CHRIS KUCHARAK

GRAYLING BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Grayling Basketball League

Spikes	3-0
Weyerhaeuser	2-1
Dawn Donuts	1-1
Fox Construction	0-2
Holiday Inn	0-2

Spikes, 73: Krey, 26, Patterson, 22, Thompson, 16, J. Gardiner, 5, Potter, Kolka, T. Gardiner, 2. Weyerhaeuser, 54: Trenary, 14, Kelly, 12, Pagel, 10, Grant, 8, Paulsen, Hull, Kelly, 4, Contreas, Leng, 1.

Dawn Donuts, 61: D. Jung, 31, Parkinson, 12, Ruddy, 6, Derenzy, Pummel, 5, Wheeler, 2. Fox Construction, 57: Junttila, 16, White, 12, Danneburg, 7, Fox, Burkett, 6, Cragg, 4, Latuzek, Leask, 2.

Scoring leaders (average): Krey, 26, Jung, 25.5, Patterson, 24, Trenary, 18.7, Hamlin, Simon, 15, White, 12.5, Parkinson, 12, Thompson, 10.5, Millikin, 10.

Three-point shots (total): Patterson, 18, Jung, 8, Simon, Fox, 6, Krey, 4, Parkinson, Hull, Junttila, Trenary, 3.

Fouls (total): T. Gardiner, 12, White, Krey, 9, Trudgeon, Simon, Trenary, Pummel, 7, Hull, Kelly, 6.

Free throw percent: Pummel, Simon, Millikin, Latusek, 100%, Krey, 85%, White, Trenary, 81%, Hamlin, Coors, 75%.

Ski Conditions Report

Projected Weekend Ski Conditions

Hanson Hills Ski Area - Grayling

Average Base: eight to ten inches packed base. Downhill Surface Conditions: 75% trails and lifts in operation, machine groomed and packed powder. Night skiing is available. Cross Country Surface Conditions: 35 km of trails open from 9 am to 5 pm.

Hours: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 5 to 9 pm, Saturday 11 am to 9 pm, Sunday 11 am to 5 pm. Closed Monday and Wednesday. (517) 348-9266

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Leading GHS skiers



TEAM LEADERS--Junior Vikings Erin Welke (L) and Ryan Schlehner have led their GHS ski teams in every meet this season.

GRAYLING RECREATION AUTHORITY

Youth Indoor Rollerblade Hockey League		Gary Fox, Builder Celtics	1-0
Barry Fenn DDS Maple Leafs	3-0	Grayling State Bank Jazz	1-0
Chemical Bank North		Sorenson Funeral Home	
Red Wings	2-1	T-Wolves	1-0
American Legion Lounge Sharks	1-2	Weyerhaeuser Suns	1-0
Citipark Cigo Black Hawks	0-3	Grayling Fish Hatchery Pistons	0-1
Showtime Collision Instructional		McDonald's Spurs	0-1
plays Saturday, Jan. 21, at 9 a.m.		Dan's Plumbing Bulls	0-1
Boys Basketball League		Glen's Market Spartans	0-1

3rd & 4th grade division		Women's Volleyball League	
Fuelgas Clippers	3-0	Mercy Hospital	7-0
Dan's Plumbing Hawks	2-1	Grayling Car Care	6-2
Wendy's Hornets	1-2	The Fun Team	4-4
Fick & Sons Supersonics	0-3	Bloomquist Spikers	2-5
5th & 6th grade division		Mercy Hospital North	0-5

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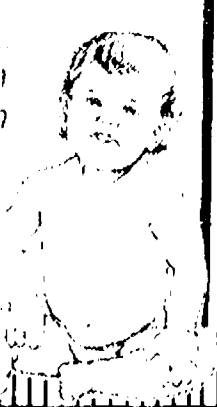
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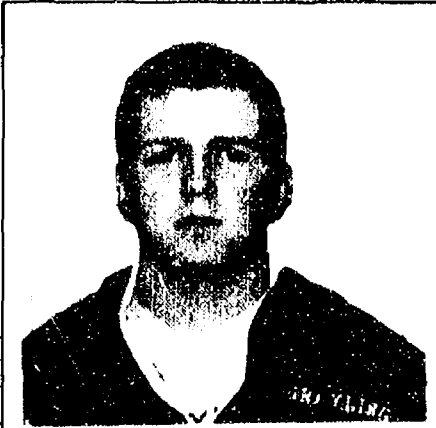
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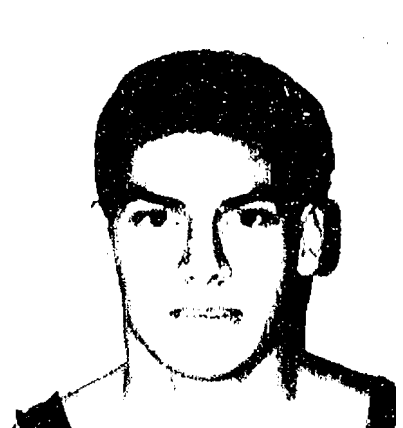
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Holiday Inn Viking PLAYERS OF THE WEEK



DALE KNISS
Kniss leads his team with a 24-win, one-loss record and was the champion of the Ithaca tournament.



CHRIS KUCHARAK
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NEWS SCHOOL

Different methods of learning at Frederic Elementary School



LEARNING WITH EARS AND MOUTH--Every student at Frederic Elementary School is currently learning about listening, sharing and caring through a series of classroom musical presentations by Clyde Holzbauer, school social worker, and his band of helpers.



LEARNING WITH EYES AND HANDS--Jeremiah Hoover works with Mrs. Wiltse's fourth grade class, teaching the students about Native American history. "There were many things that Native Americans would use," said Nicole Persing. "The French fur traders would bring many things. They taught Native Americans how to use needles and other things, and Native Americans taught them things too."

GRAYLING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Student of the Month
Month: December
Category: Most Caring

Mrs. Nunn (blue)	Mary Johnson
	Tara Lee
	Brandon DeRogue
Mrs. Nunn (yellow)	Natasha Osborne
	Theresa Gammon
	Bethany Libby
Mrs. Marler (yellow)	Mark Cassel
	Patricia Thomson
	Rachel Carlson
Mrs. Brunell	Andrew Peterson
	Bobbie Farmer
Miss Loft	Amber Mologaines
	Dustin Pizzi
	Sara Babbitt
Miss Savoie	Kellan Quigley
	Amber Haskin
Mrs. Alexander	Heather Helsel
Miss Williams	Jamie Wyss
	Meghan Thomas
	Cortney Dagner
Mrs. Yost	Shantina Jacobs
	Chelsea Papendick
	Zach Dean
Mrs. Canfield	Samantha LeMaster
	Kacey Robbins
	Brian Gomez
Mrs. Wakeley	Katie Voelker
	Chris Bindschatel
	Tom Pilon
Mrs. Rauch-Smock	Josh Millikin
	Elizabeth Banda
	Stacey Brown
Mrs. Pullen-Johnson	Nikki Lynch
	Mikey O'Connor
	Jesse Ferrell
Miss S. Williams	June Clark
Mr. Brigham	Jenny Leal
	Ashley Morgan
	Jean Bielat
Miss Johnson	Megan Fekete
Mrs. Williams	Kelly Kustra
Mrs. T. Johnson	Adam Malone
	Amber Morris
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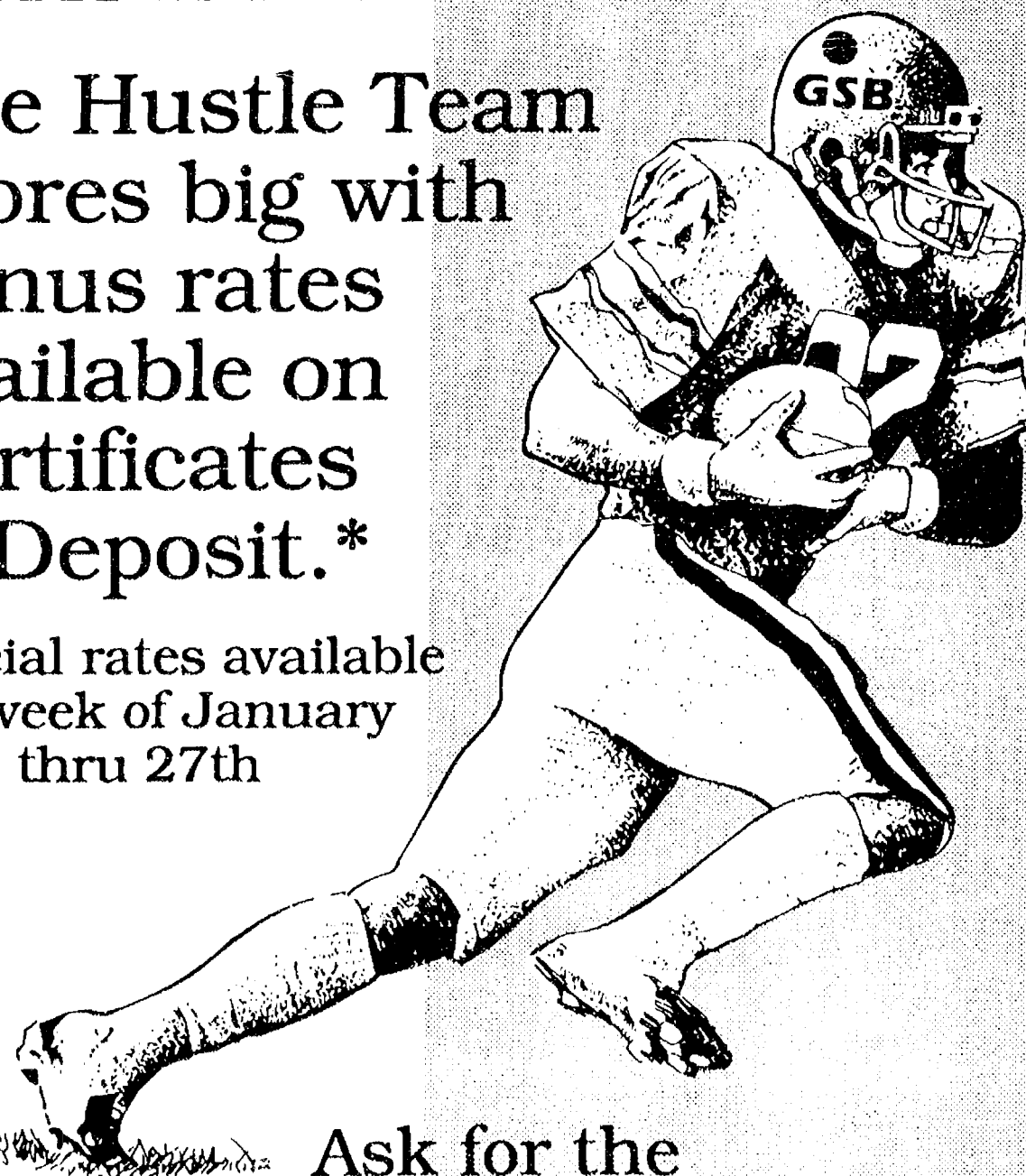
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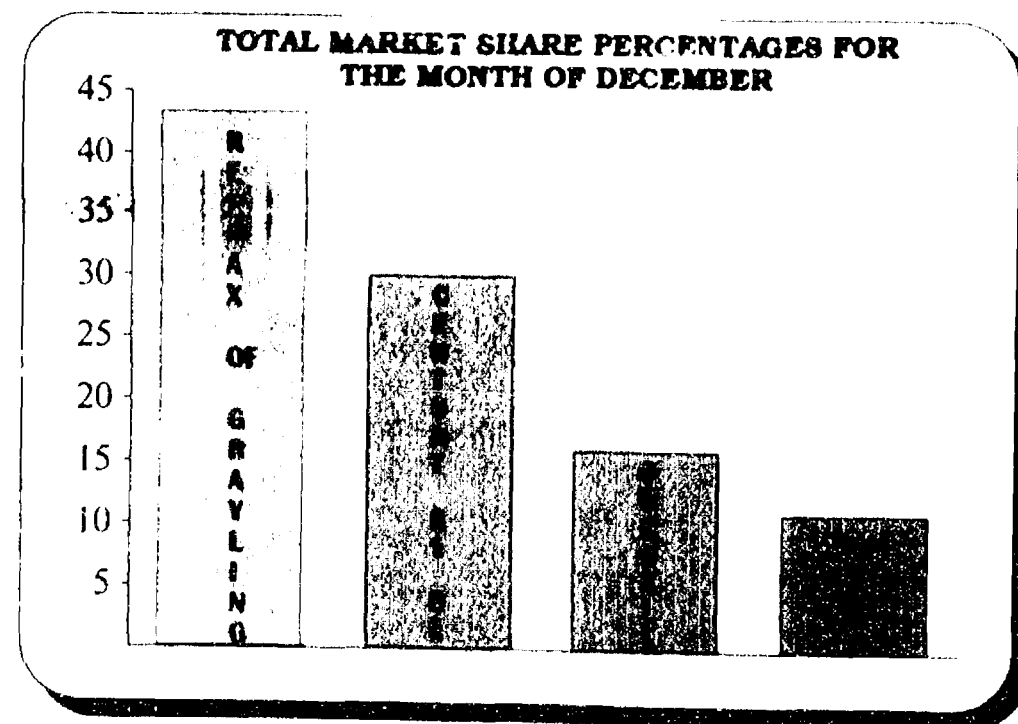
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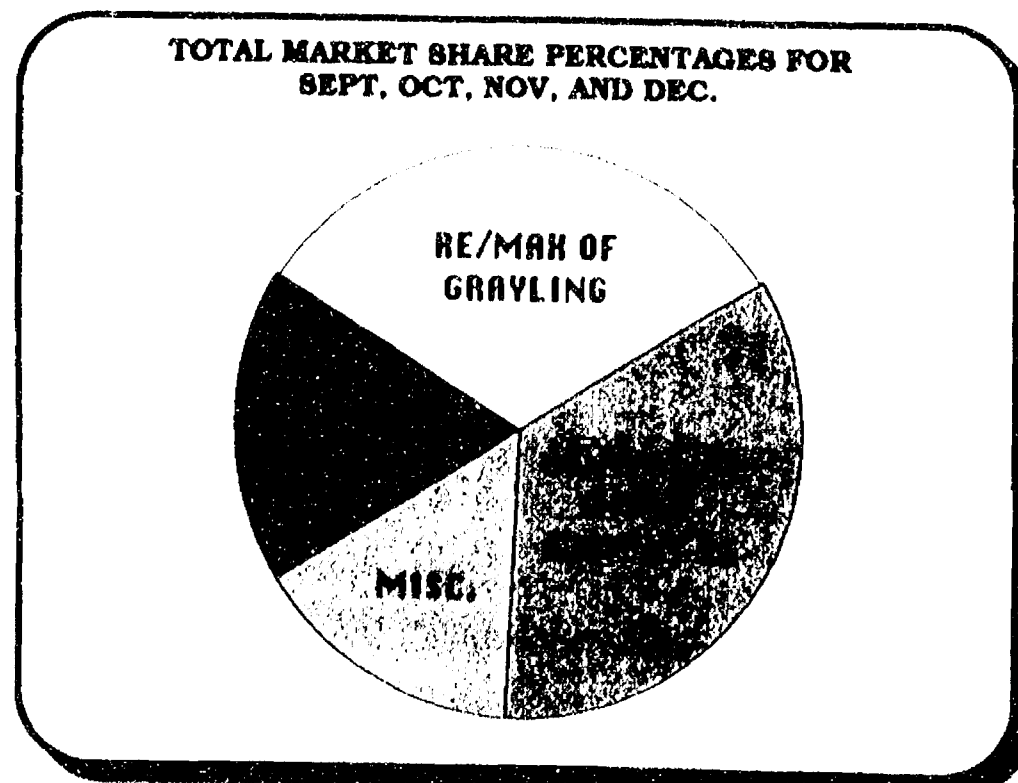
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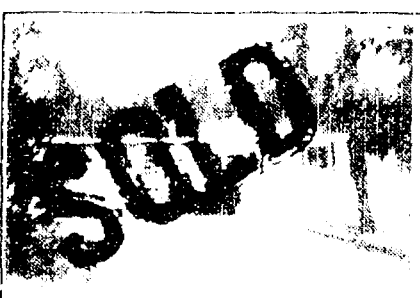
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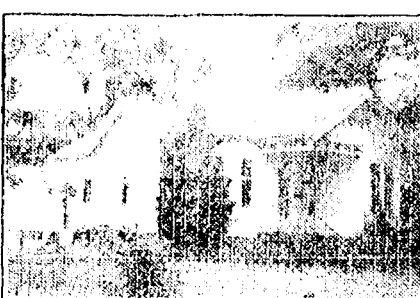
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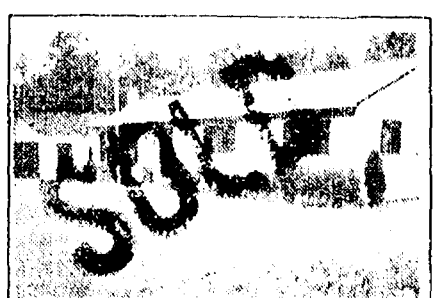
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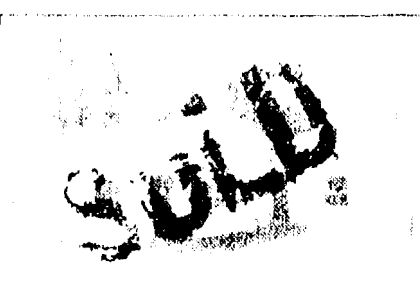
608 MICHIGAN AVE. - 1,200 sq. ft., three bedrooms, large closets, full basement, partial fenced yard, two car garage. Great home for family, near schools, hospital and shopping. (MC-465)



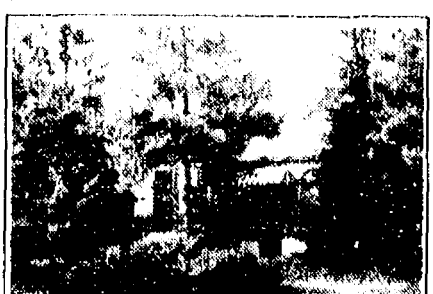
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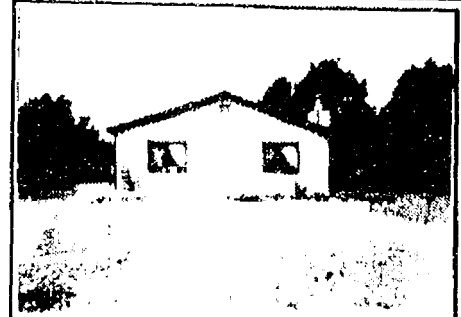
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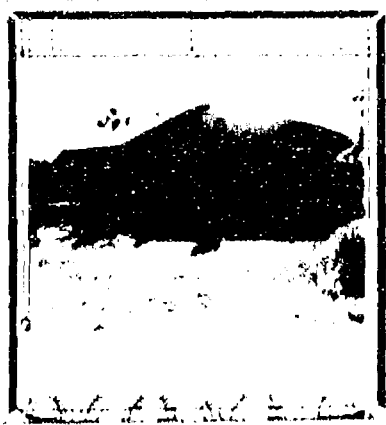
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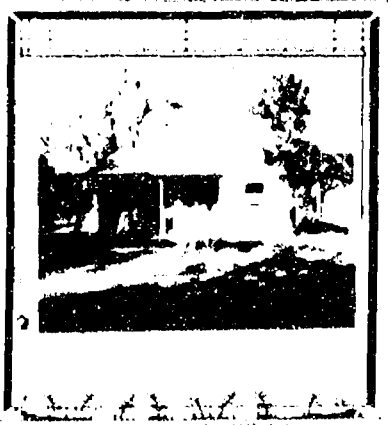
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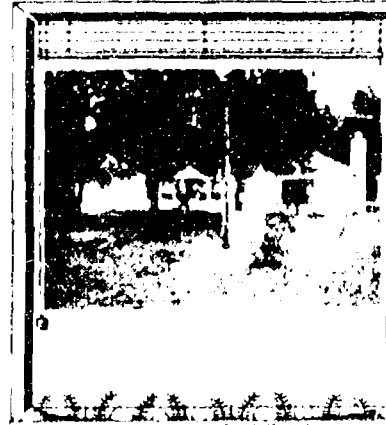
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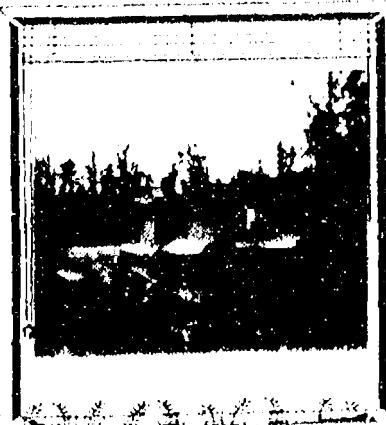
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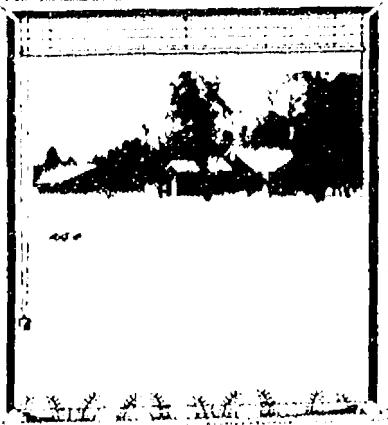
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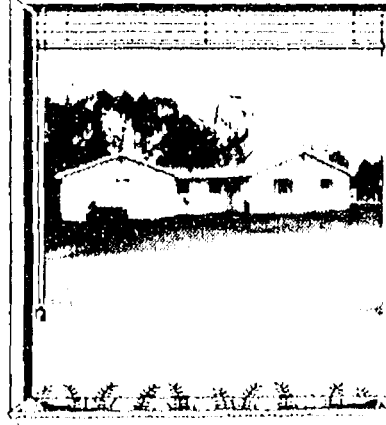
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3. Employment

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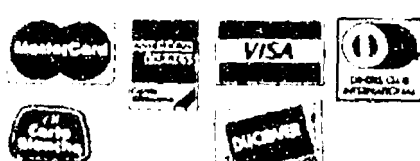
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Net sales in 1994 were \$10.4 billion, up nine percent from net sales in 1993 of \$9.54 billion.

Fourth-quarter net earnings for 1994 were a quarterly record at 188.9 million, or .91 cents per common share, compared with the prior year's fourth-quarter earnings of \$101.7 million, or .50 cents per common share.

Net sales in fourth-quarter 1994 were \$2.73 billion, up five percent from \$2.59 billion for the comparable quarter of 1993.

The timberlands and wood products segment operating earnings were \$262 million for the fourth quarter of 1994, compared with \$258 million in the year ago quarter.

The company's pulp and paper products segment had operating earnings of \$113 million in the fourth

quarter of 1994, compared with a loss of \$21 million in the comparable 1993 quarter.

Weyerhaeuser Real Estate Company and Weyerhaeuser Financial Services earned \$3 million in the fourth quarter, compared with \$14.9 million in the year-ago quarter.

In describing the year, President Jack Creighton said, "The pace of the recovery in pulp, paper and packaging markets continues at a faster than expected rate, being fueled by both domestic and international demand growth. We had record performance in our timberlands and wood products segment as our businesses continued to accomplish their business-improvement plans, timber supplies remained tight, and markets strong, through the year."

"Dramatic improvement in pulp, paper and packaging profits, along with strong timber values and continued efficiencies gained from improvement efforts in our businesses, should significantly improve our earnings in 1995," Creighton said.

MERCY HOSPITAL BIRTHS

The following parents are proud to announce their recent arrivals at Grayling Mercy Hospital:

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The Bible Speaks

From the Calvary Baptist Church

Loyalty

Loyalty is a traditional character trait losing ground within our culture. Patriotism or loyalty to country is being played down in the name of multiculturalism, globalism, and the New World Order. Remember when *The Star-Spangled Banner* was popular in schools and churches as well as at ball games? Remember when everyone pledged allegiance to our flag as "one nation under God"?

The Jews were taught patriotism from the Bible. "Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee." (PSA 122:6) "If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth; if I prefer not Jerusalem above my chief joy." (PSA 137:6) "Do good in thy good pleasure unto Zion: build thou the walls of Jerusalem." (PSA 51:18) "Be of good courage, and let us play the men for our people, and for the cities of our God..." (2SA 10:12a) God taught His people patriotism!

Loyalty is essential for family unity.

In traditional marriages, husbands and wives pledge vows of loyalty to each other until death. Today, with divorce rates running at 50 percent, this loyalty is being destroyed. Family loyalty and order comes from obeying God's commands for the home. "Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as it is fit in the Lord. Husbands, love [your] wives, and be not bitter against them. Children, obey [your] parents in all things: for this is well pleasing unto the Lord." (COL 3:18-20) Find a home where the husband loves his wife, the wife submits to her husband, and the children obey both parents, and you find an earthly taste of heaven on earth. Let rebellion destroy this model and home can become a living hell.

Loyalty is essential in our relationship to God and His church. Personal loyalty to God demands our submission of body, mind, and will to His control. "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, [which is] your reasonable service."

And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what [is] that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God." (ROM 12:1, 2)

Standing for Bible truth is the mark of a true church of Jesus Christ. "But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth." (1TI 3:15) Loyalty is: "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some [is]; but exhorting [one another]; and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching." (HEB 10:25) Christians should be loyal to God, home, and country.

Pastor "B"

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The Simple Truth

We search the world for truth we call
The good, the pure, the beautiful
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And weary seekers of the best
We come back laden from our quest
To find that all the ages said
The Book of Mothers read

Today's world is complex, the moral standard more elastic than a rubber band. Concepts of right and wrong are stretched in convenient directions until ultimately, God's truth must snap back so as to awake the soul; or worse, a soul is lost to the insensitivity of indifference. How can we survive confusing trends and conflicting philosophies as media madness spins us in a glamorized circle of revolving door values? What is the simple truth for today?

The truth for today is the very Bible that has inspired great leaders throughout history, the unchanging Book that can guide you through today and a maze of tomorrows. As you worship this Sabbath, remember God's word, for that is the simple truth.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 John 3:1-10	1 John 4:1-6	1 John 4:7-21	Luke 9:18-20	1 John 1:1-2	1 John 5:13-21	Romans 6:1-23

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Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study 7 p.m.

Christian Science Society
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Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.
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Sunday School 9:30-10:30 a.m.
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Prayer Meeting Tues 7 p.m.

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Church 348-8885
Parsonage 348-2588
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday - Family Night
Adult-Youth-Children Sessions 7 p.m.

Christian Science Society
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1st Wednesday (April-Oct.) 7:30 p.m.

Heritage Baptist
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Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.

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Church School 9:45 a.m.
Preaching 11 a.m.
Midweek Service Prayer 7 p.m.

Gaylord Christian Reformed
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Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

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Weekday Mass
Tuesday 8 a.m.
Wednesday 10 a.m.
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Friday 8 a.m.
Confession Saturday 4 p.m.

Calvary Assembly of God
Rev. Lawrence Cook
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Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Family Night 7 p.m.

Lovells Chapel
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Chapel Service 11 a.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7-8 p.m.

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Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Mid-Week Services
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed) 7 p.m.

Church of Christ
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Sunday Worship 7 p.m.
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Klobnock was cited for superior performance of duty while assigned with Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 11, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, Marine Corps Air Station El Toro, Santa Ana, CA.

He consistently performed his demanding duties in an exemplary and highly professional manner.

The 1981 graduate of Pontiac Northern High School of Pontiac, joined the Marine Corps in August, 1981.

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Kristine L. Campbell, daughter of Laurelee Respecki of Grayling, recently reported for duty at Naval Air Station, San Diego.

The 1988 graduate of Grayling High School, joined the Navy in December, 1989.

It's so hot it's on Fire!



Every precaution is taken when Steve Steven's of Stevens Family Circle is preparing his famous chili "Hell fire and damnation."

Steve is preparing for the Chili Cook Off at Hanson Hills on Sunday, Jan. 29, from 1 to 3 p.m. The Chili Cook Off is a chance for local restaurants to compete for the bragging rights of the best chili in Crawford County.

Mercy Hospital is the defending champion. Other entries will be from Stevens Family Circle, Hardee's, Wendy's, Chief Shoppenagon's, Big Boy, Iron Gate, and the Holiday Inn, who will have two entries.

For just \$1, anyone can become a judge and sample the competing chili. When 150 people have tasted all of the chili, the votes will be tallied.

First place will win an engraved chili pot, second place will win a commercial cooking spoon. Third place will win a restaurant cooking thermometer.

Legislation adds protection and legal recourse for domestic violence victims

By Yvonne LaFave
Capital News Service

Victims of domestic violence will get added protection and easier access to legal relief when a 5 law package recently signed by Gov. John Engler goes into effect April 1.

"The point of the legislation is to work to prevent the brutal consequences of domestic violence," said Fern Farber, director of River House Shelter, which serves abuse victims from Crawford, Ogemaw, Roscommon and Oscoda counties.

The laws, based on recommendations from Engler's Domestic Violence Task Force, extend personal protection orders to include dating relationships. The package is a supplement to 15 domestic violence and anti-stalking measures that went into effect July 1994.

"The laws make the issue of family violence a priority for law enforcement and the courts," Farber said.

The laws mean that more abused people will receive protection, she said, because existing laws provide protection only when a victim has been married to, lived with or shared a child with the abuser.

Rep. Allen Lowe, R-Grayling, served on the House Judiciary Committee that reported out the

package of bills in December. He pointed out the laws outline the responsibilities of the court and law enforcement agencies.

"It's important that there is a tool now for law enforcement officials to end some domestic violence," Lowe said.

But officials are not sure what the impact of the package will be because it will make personal protection orders effective as soon as a judge signs them.

Before, orders did not take effect until the person being restrained had been served a copy. Now the laws will allow police to make arrests without warrants if abusers violate personal protection orders, even if the violator is unaware of the order.

Mason County Prosecuting Attorney Chris Van Oosterum said there may be legal challenges from abusers who are arrested for violating protection orders they did not know were in place. But Van Oosterum said most violations of the orders are criminal acts anyway, such as physical assault or property damage.

Sharon Miller, executive director of the Michigan Women's Commission, said state and local governments will monitor implementation of the laws during the next year to determine their effectiveness.

"Legislation only makes something possible," Miller said. "If we don't

educate so the laws are actually used, we can have the best laws, but that won't matter much."

Card of thanks

Surprise! And it certainly was. My sister Nancy and husband David Niederer gave me a birthday party held at Calvary Baptist family room.

A delicious lunch and ice cream and cake was enjoyed by family and friends from Grayling and Traverse City.

A very special treat was David Niederer singing and playing guitar, accompanied by Fred Niederer on the saw.

Just thanks hardly seems sufficient. It was truly a very special day.

Thanks,
Helen Crawford

HONORS LIST

Laura Ann Rickner of Frederic, Michael S. Normand and Jeffrey Paul Palsen, both of Grayling, were placed on the honors list for Michigan State University for fall semester 1994. To achieve this honor, students must maintain a 3.5 or better grade point average.

Card of thanks

A special thank you to Pastor and Judy Hammond for their time and concern. Debbie Cherven and the Amicare staff for time spent getting the best care for Lala. Dr. Charles Gosling and Jeanie Harwood, the First Baptist Church of Frederic, and all the friends and neighbors in Frederic and Maple Forest for their concern.

Henry and Charles Smith

Project Graduation '95 plans fundraiser

The Project Graduation '95 Committee has been busy planning for the June 2, all-night, chaperoned Project Graduation '95 party.

A unique fundraiser for this event will take place Saturday, Feb. 4, from 8 to 11:30 p.m. in the Grayling High School gymnasium. It's a sock hop for adults. Music of the 50s, 60s, and 70s will be played by D. J. Mr. Bob

Greenwood. Cost for this fun, take me back to my high school days, will be \$6 per couple. Flowers will be available to buy for your sweetheart and non-alcoholic beverages will be served.

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